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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 2:28 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: RE: Economic_Development

I will answer this.

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 1:47 PM

To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: FW: Economic_Development

Mike, not sure who this should go to?

-Michelle

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thu 6/14/2007 12:10 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Economic_Development

Web mail from: Ms. Colleen Riley

address: 59584 East End Road Homer AK 99603

(907) 226-2400

MESSAGE:

I am the president/CEO of KRD, Inc. (a small high-tech firm in Homer). On July 17th we will have some of our Department of Defense (DOD) customers here to evaluate the under vehicle inspection systems we are developing. As busy as we are (which is good), I seldom take the time to let anyone outside of our customer base know what we are up to.

I thought the governor's office might like to attend the meeting to find out about KRD and our systems. The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM and end no later than noon.

As a brief background, we have 15 employees, all degreed and all high-paying jobs. And we are entering another growth curve, preparing to manufacture our systems (preferably in AK) and sell them to DOD, corrections, Homeland Security, etc.

Please let me know if anyone from the governor's office (we'd love to have the governor herself) can attend.

krdear@acsalaska.net

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 7:15 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Hadn't heard either.

Returned calls from Rosemary Shinohara and Elizabeth Bluemink tonight - both of the Anchorage Daily News. Both on Mat Maid. Essentially said the same things we've talked about, but did confirm that the Governor is considering replacing the BAC - the one she can legally touch. Both discussed Kaladi's offer with me. I confirmed that the first we had heard of Kaladi's offer was on the Dan Fagan Radio Show and that when I passed the information on to the Governor, her response was that that's exactly the kind of innovative solutions that exist and the root of the frustration and disappointment that the no one is sitting down to discuss the possibilities (on the Board side).

Thanks,

Meg

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Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 7:10 PM

To: Michael A Tibbles; Kristina Y Perry

Cc: Meghan N Stapleton

Subject: Fw: Mat Maid Dairy

This is the first I've heard of any request the Teamsters had to meet with me re MatMaid.

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From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 18:37:08

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Mat Maid Dairy

Here's the back-and-forth I had with Barbara Huff.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Barbara Huff [mailto:Bhuff@akteamsters.com]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:45 AM

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Martha K Rutherford; Ken Coleman

Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Joe:

Thanks for your response. Based on what you have shared, scheduling the meeting after that date is probably an excellent idea.

We are dealing with some pretty concerned employees who are right now looking for answers and direction. Although we don't believe they are the only ones concerned, just the ones we hear from regularly.

Thanks again.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph R Balash [mailto:joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:11 AM

To: Barbara Huff

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us; Ken Coleman

Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Barbara:

I can assure you that MatMaid is getting the attention of the Governor. My understanding is that the 600.0 goes through DNR--and

the leadership of the department is expecting a plan for the funds before they are transferred. The Creamery Corp. and BAC asked for the funds and now they are being asked what they intend to do with it.

I've not been briefed about the upcoming meeting so I'm not aware of the options that Van Treek plans to put on the table. I had understood there would be multiple options for the board to consider.

I will forward your request to the scheduling office and see what can be done--would it be better to wait until after the meeting on the 6th so we see what has been put on the table?

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: Barbara Huff <Bhuff@akteamsters.com>

Date: Friday, June 1, 2007 10:40 am

Subject: Mat Maid Dairy

To: joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us, Ken Coleman

<Kcoleman@akteamsters.com>

> Joe:

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> I left a message on your office phone yesterday regarding a

> meeting that

> my boss Ken Coleman would like to have with the Governor to

> discuss Mat

> Maid Dairy and its impact on Agriculture in this state in general.

> We

> have been advised that there will be a meeting of the Board on

> Wednesday, June 6, 2007 at which time the General Manager is

> expected to
> roll out a plan for Mat Maid.
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> We believe the plan will include a proposal that will shut the Dairy
> down within a couple of months. For us that means about 40 jobs that
> will be immediately impacted in addition to the contract work
> through K
> & W which hauls the milk from the valley to the dairy in town and the
> impact on the farmers. Yes we realize at least a couple of the
> farmers who are running in the red now will probably benefit, if
> their debt is
> ultimately forgiven as a result of Mat Maid Dairy shutting their
door.
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> This also means that one more competitor is taken off the market
> in our
> state. Is this good for the consumers? When Safeway bought out
Carrs,
> part of that deal was maintaining the local products on their
shelves.
> Since that time Mat Maid has not been without challenges in that
area.
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> Additionally, we understood included in the \$600,000.00 allocated
> in the
> Capitol budget this year for Mat Maid Dairy was money to hire a
> consultant to review the Dairy business plan and make some

> recommendations regarding its long term viability. Has there been a
> decision not to hire someone? The current CEO stated in the press at
> least a year or two ago, that he felt the Dairy should privatize,
> which allow it more flexibility in expanding and upgrading facility
and
> products. We don't believe this was ever seriously looked at and
> should be a consideration, if viable.
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> While we understand this may not carry quite the high profile that
> a Gas
> Pipeline or the contemplation of one brings to the table, we do
> believe it is an issue that should be given some consideration at
> the highest
> level of the state before it simply goes away. This company has
> been in
> business in this state for over 70 years and does bring with it some
> loyal consumers as well as employees who have been with the
> company in
> some cases for a 2nd generation. We also realize that it is not
> without problems, which is why we are requesting a meeting with the
> Governor to
> discuss this very important matter.
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> Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 3:12 PM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Postma

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (GOV)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 15:11:42

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, Kristina Y Perry <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: Meghan N Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>, Sharon W Leighow <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: RE: Postma

I called him this morning. Sharon and Richard have been contacted.

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Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 3:10 PM

To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Kristina Y Perry; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Meghan N Stapleton; Sharon W Leighow

Subject: Postma

Iv - go ahead and get ahold of him offer job to him from me. I still cant track him down and dont have his work number. So pls call him and announce both two new judges asap

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 3:11 PM
To: Talis J Colberg; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR); Todd Palin
Subject: Fw: Maqt Maid

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 09:15:26

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, 'Kris Perry' <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, 'Michael A Tibbles' <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, john_bitney@gov.state.ak.us, karen_rehfeld@gov.state.ak.us

Cc: sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us, 'Meghan Stapleton' <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: FW: Maqt Maid

Per the Governor's note yesterday about refusing audits, it looks as though someone knows something about an external one.

Meghan N. Stapleton

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From: James Brewster [mailto:aradio@gsi.net]

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 9:07 AM

To: meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Maqt Maid

An accounting of the past year by an independent external auditor of Mat Maid's activities would certainly be revealing to say the least.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 3:09 PM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Richard Postma

No so cll him pls, then announce

-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (GOV)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 09:19:51

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Richard Postma

Governor,

Have you been able to get a hold of Richard Postma, ANC District Court? (269-5156).

I'm just curious if I can let the court system know and also start calling the unsuccessful nominations.

Thank you,

Ivy Frye

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR); Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Bitney; John W (GOV); Todd Palin
Subject: Re: mat maid

Amen!!! Tell joey, too, to HELP on this issue. I've not been so riled up in a long time over an issue - we HAVE to find solutions here.

Tom: pls forward to Dick.

-----Original Message-----

From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 11:48:45

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: mat maid

Sarah,

I know you're probably hearing all kinds of things about Mat Maid and yesterday's fiasco but here's my two cents.

Mat Maid started out as a creamery in 1936 making only butter and selling eggs. They eventually started selling excess milk from the creamery. This was a profitable business for years. As recently as 1980, Mat Maid's milk was 100% Alaskan dairy produced. Now they say their milk is 35% Alaskan mixed with imported milk from outside. I've been told it's more like 10% Alaskan.

A 1998 legislative audit (audit digest #10-4545-98) showed that the company was in dire straits then. The public is under the impression that Mat Maid's woes are recent. Of course production/supply costs have skyrocketed but I think the companies major problem stems from WAY too much diversification. They are producing too many different products (which are more expensive than the competition). Alaskans' loyalty

to the brand has kept them afloat for a long time but the whole thing is a losing proposition.

There is a growing market for organic and premium dairy products. Maybe by scaling down their operations and specializing in high end, 100% Alaskan dairy products (no imported milk powder, etc.), we could save the existing dairy farmers and the jobs of most plant workers. I suggest sticking with milk, butter, premium ice cream (people will buy it!), and maybe cheese.

Pass this message along to Dept. Comm. Richard LeFebvre if you'd like as he seems to be up on the current situation.

Good luck,
Chuck
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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 5:19 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Cleaning House...Not Closing House

Amen! I love how you keep stepping up here and doing so many great things for Akns.

I think the names you mentioned today are great. Smart, hard working, every day Alaskans--people from the Valley that understand this issue.

What I see, as a kid born and raised in the Valley that is also the product of two colonist families, is this is the end of an era. Like Oliver said, this is one of a few things we have left from the 202 hardworking families that helped build the Mat-Su more than 70 years ago. I hate to see it close, but if it's necessary let's do it in a way where we honor and appreciate all of those hardworking farmers--past and present, and do so in a way that's in the very best interest of the state.

On another note, I leave for my conference on Sat and have been asked to give a presentation on your priorities and styles for b&c. It will be a piece of cake. They saw our website today and called me to ask, "Is ethics important to your administration." I said, 'well since you mention it was the foundation of Governor Palin's campaign and of her administration.' They asked if I'd speak to ethics now too. I'm starting all the way back at AOGCC, man. I think I'm going to have fun!

Thanks for everything,

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From: Sharon Leighow [sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 11:10 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: URGENT - HEADS UP - URGENT
Governor Palin ~

Meg's email is down for the moment. We wanted to give you a heads up about Channel 2. Not sure how they found out about your schedule, but Rebecca Palsha will be waiting outside of Nine Star this afternoon. She is interested in what's next for Mat Maid from the state's perspective.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 10:41 AM
To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com; 'Kristina Y Perry'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: 'Tom E Irwin'; 'Martha K Rutherford'; Bitney; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); 'Talis J Colberg'
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Oh, I know. Just passing along what another's interpretation was....

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Cc: "Tom Irwin" <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>, "Martha K Rutherford" <marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>, "Joseph R Balash"

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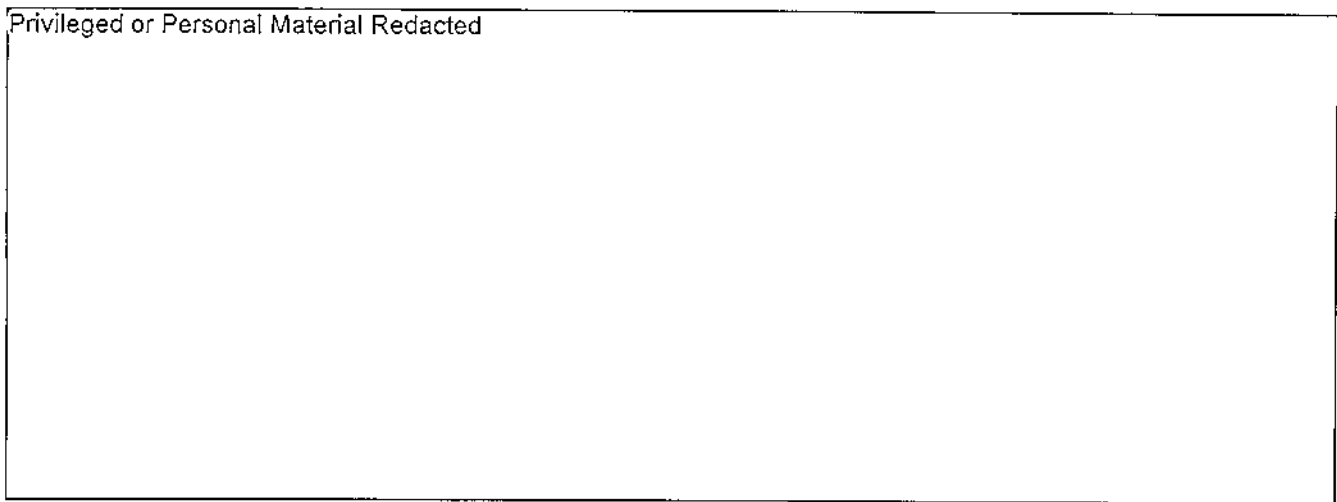
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Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 8:03 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Rutherford; Martha K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bitney; John W (GOV)
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Joe: pls get a copy of VanTreek's contact and golden parachute. If there is one

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From: frank bailey [ftb907@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 10:42 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Frye; Ivy J (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission
Governor,

I met with two strong supporters last night from the fisheries sector that expressed concern about Ben Stevens and Stephanie Madsen showing currently on the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission. They said it appears they could be removed for cause, and recommended that Ben be removed immediately and Madsen be removed when her NPFMC term expires. Their concern with Madsen was that on a Commission that involves all western pacific states, she would be serving the interests of her employer, At Sea Processors, not the State of Alaska.

Here are the links:

<http://www.gov.state.ak.us/boards/factsheet.php?i=073>

<http://www.gov.state.ak.us/boards/rosters/board073.html>

Thanks much.

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Cc: 'Meghan Stapleton'; 'Mike Tibbles'
Subject: RE: URGENT - HEADS UP - URGENT

The Governor is also having problems sending and receiving on her blackberry. I've notified Kami in Juneau for corrective action.

From: Sharon Leighow [mailto:sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 11:10 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: 'Kris Perry'; 'Meghan Stapleton'; 'Mike Tibbles'
Subject: URGENT - HEADS UP - URGENT

Governor Palin -

Meg's email is down for the moment. We wanted to give you a heads up about Channel 2. Not sure how they found out about your schedule, but Rebecca Palsha will be waiting outside of Nine Star this afternoon. She is interested in what's next for Mat Maid from the state's perspective.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau
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240-7943 cell

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 9:24 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us
Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Governor:

I just got off the phone with Mike. He's having some technical difficulties with his Blackberry and can't seem to send messages right now--but he is still receiving them. He's delayed in traffic but will be there soon to discuss this further.

Joe

-----Original Message-----

From: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 8:54 AM
To: Cayce, Sunny C (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Kristina Y Perry
Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Yes, Joe Balash did forward a request about a mat-maid meeting for sometime after the board met on june 6.....I ran it by Mike Tibbles and Mike requested we stand by until we learned what the board decided on june 6. I did not receive any further information on mat-maid before I left on june 8.

----- Original Message -----

From: Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Cc: Kristina Y Perry; Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Sent: Fri Jun 15 08:25:03 2007
Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Governor,

This is the first I've seen of this request, I will check with Kari and Joe first thing this morning,

Sunny

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 7:27 PM

To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV); Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)

Cc: Kristina Y Perry

Subject: Fw: Mat Maid Dairy

Does anyone have any notice of the Teamsters trying to meet with me two wks ago? This is a very significant issue and hopefully the request didn't get lost between the cracks, but right now just need to know if they did request a mtg two wks ago. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 03:10:06

To: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Cc: "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Fw: Mat Maid Dairy

This is the first I've heard of any request the Teamsters had to meet with me re MatMaid.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 18:37:08

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Mat Maid Dairy

Here's the back-and-forth I had with Barbara Huff.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Barbara Huff [mailto:Bhuff@akteamsters.com]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:45 AM

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Martha K Rutherford; Ken Coleman

Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Joe:

Thanks for your response. Based on what you have shared, scheduling the meeting after that date is probably an excellent idea.

We are dealing with some pretty concerned employees who are right now looking for answers and direction. Although we don't believe they are

the only ones concerned, just the ones we hear from regularly.

Thanks again.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph R Balash [mailto:joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:11 AM

To: Barbara Huff

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us; Ken Coleman

Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Barbara:

I can assure you that MatMaid is getting the attention of the Governor. My understanding is that the 600.0 goes through DNR--and the leadership of the department is expecting a plan for the funds before they are transferred. The Creamery Corp. and BAC asked for the funds and now they are being asked what they intend to do with it.

I've not been briefed about the upcoming meeting so I'm not aware of the options that Van Treek plans to put on the table. I had understood there would be multiple options for the board to consider.

I will forward your request to the scheduling office and see what can be done--would it be better to wait until after the meeting on the 6th so we see what has been put on the table?

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: Barbara Huff <Bhuff@akteamsters.com>

Date: Friday, June 1, 2007 10:40 am

Subject: Mat Maid Dairy

To: joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us, Ken Coleman

<Kcoleman@akteamsters.com>

> Joe:

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> I left a message on your office phone yesterday regarding a

> meeting that

> my boss Ken Coleman would like to have with the Governor to

> discuss Mat

> Maid Dairy and its impact on Agriculture in this state in general.

> We

> have been advised that there will be a meeting of the Board on

> Wednesday, June 6, 2007 at which time the General Manager is

> expected to

> roll out a plan for Mat Maid.

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> We believe the plan will include a proposal that will shut the Dairy

> down within a couple of months. For us that means about 40 jobs that

> will be immediately impacted in addition to the contract work

> through K

> & W which hauls the milk from the valley to the dairy in town and the

> impact on the farmers. Yes we realize at least a couple of the

> farmers who are running in the red now will probably benefit, if

> their debt is

> ultimately forgiven as a result of Mat Maid Dairy shutting their
door.

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> This also means that one more competitor is taken off the market
> in our
> state. Is this good or the consumers? When Safeway bought out
Carrs,
> part of that deal was maintaining the local products on their
shelves.
> Since that time Mat Maid has not been without challenges in that
area.
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> Additionally, we understood included in the \$600,000.00 allocated
> in the
> Capitol budget this year for Mat Maid Dairy was money to hire a
> consultant to review the Dairy business plan and make some
> recommendations regarding its long term viability. Has there been a
> decision not to hire someone? The current CEO stated in the press at
> least a year or two ago, that he felt the Dairy should privatize,
> whichallow it more flexibility in expanding and upgrading facility
and
> products. We don't believe this was ever seriously looked at and
> shouldbe a consideration, if viable.
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> While we understand this may not carry quit the high profile that
> a Gas
> Pipeline or the contemplation of one brings to the table, we do
> believeit is an issue that should be given some consideration at
> the highest
> level of the state before it simple goes away. This company has
> been in
> business in this state for over 70 years and does bring with it some
> loyal consumers as well as employees who have been with the

> company in
> some cases for a 2nd generation. We also realize that it is not
> without problems, which is why we are requesting a meeting with the
> Governor to
> discuss this very important matter.
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> Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.
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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 1:59 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Blitney; John W (LAA); Meghan N Stapleton; gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: FYI

Palin addresses farmers protesting dairy closing

By ANDREW WELLNER
Anchorage Daily News

Published: June 15, 2007
Last Modified: June 15, 2007 at 01:14 PM

WASILLA – Gov. Sarah Palin told a crowd of farmers and concerned Valley residents today that she plans to fix the broken state-run Matanuska Maid dairy.

“Things are kind of a mess right now with what’s happening with Mat Maid, and we’re going to clean it up,” Palin said. “We can revitalize it, and that’s what our commitment is.”

Palin addressed approximately 100 people gathered at 10 a.m. at a farm near the Trunk and Bogard roads intersection.

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Dairy officials said previously that should the dairy remain open, it would lose \$2 million by the end of the year. Since 2005, it has lost \$1.3 million, including \$700,000 this year, according to statistics cited previously by state creamery board chairman Mac Carter.

The board, citing mounting debts, on Wednesday rejected Palin’s call to reconsider its close date.

Find Andrew Wellner online at adn.com/contact/awellner or call 352-6710.

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]

Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 6:13 PM

To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Bitney; John W (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton; fek9wnr@yahoo.com; Talis Colberg

Subject: BAC

Hi everyone,

Members have been notified. The roster is still on the website. The letters are signed, sealed, and with Joe for the weekend.

Thanks,

Ivy Frye
director of boards and commissions
office of governor sarah palin
ivy.frye@alaska.gov
Office (907) 465-3934
Fax (907) 465-8110

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From: frank bailey [ftb907@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 12:31 PM
To: Sarah Palin; Todd Pallin; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Clearly Arctic - Initial Info

Signs point to Mat Maid as owner of the Clearly Arctic name so far, showing that it started the website domain www.clearlyarctic.com. The Creamery Corporation registered the "Clearly Arctic" Federal Trademark. (Backup on both are below).

Todd, you requested info on Terry Clark and so far there is very little. I've checked the Corporations, Business License databases, and I'll check worker's comp with DOL and Corporate Net Income payments to DOR. Terry Clark (unless he holds an Indiana address and part-owns Capitol Construction out of Juneau) doesn't show as a partner or business owner of a current business.

Under Eagle River Roofing, business license # 900313, I don't show Clark's name on the record, but rather Steven Benson (Chugiak, AK), and Tanner Benson (Cooper Landing, AK) on the record.

contacts for website: terry@clearlyarctic.com

Whois Record for www.clearlyarctic.com**Registrant:**

Matanuska Maid Dairy
 814 West Northern Lights Blvd
 Anchorage, AK 99503
 US

Domain Name: CLEARLYARCTIC.COM

Administrative Contact, Technical Contact:
 Bowers, Linda

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 907-337-4884 fax: 907-333-7445

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From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 7:33 PM
To: Annette Kreitzer; John Katz; Larry Persily; Emil R Notti; Joseph D Schmidt; Lawrence L Hartig; Tom Irwin; Leo Von Scheben; Walt C Monegan; Roger L Sampson; Denby S Lloyd; Joseph R Balash; John W Bitney; Karen J Rehfeld; Kristina Y Perry; Meghan N Stapleton; Michael A Nizich; Michael A Tibbles; Sharon W Leighow; Sean Parnell; Karleen K Jackson; Clark C Bishop; Talls J Colberg; Patrick S Galvin; Craig Campbell; chckheath; Todd Palin; Franci Havemeister
Subject: Re: mat maid

Chuck: Yes - we need this task force. We're in a cabinet mtg right now discussing the topic. Have Joe Austerman get thinking on this - I just cleared his participation with Commissioner Notti.

Mike Tibbles will be in charge. Let him talk to you about it and some of the other plans we have for revitalization/changes within Ag. (And MatMaid.). This will be awesome!

Stand by for Tibbles and Kris Perry to contact you with directives.

You have my blessing and THANKS for being concerned and energized and excited about finding solutions.

I'm ccing Cabinet members bc their areas are also affected by the MatMaid issue and just wanted to let them know we're off and running with the task force idea. Ccing Franci, too, so she'll be a part of it.

You don't have to respond to this entire list.

Also, intriguing idea(s) from Kaladi Bros guys re: local product they tried to get MatMaid to hear them on months ago.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 21:04:39

To: "Todd Palin" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>, "John W Bitney" <john_bitney@gov.state.ak.us>, "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Fw: mat maid

-----Original Message-----

From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 14:01:24

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: mat maid

Sarah,

Joey and I stayed and talked with Bob Havemeister after the rally about potential solutions. We'd like to form a steering committee which would include dairy farmers, businessmen, and key state people, to come up with a viable strategy. Bob is all for downsizing and getting back to basics. Do we have your blessing to proceed or do you have something else in mind?

Chuck

ps. Lots of happy people because you showed up.

--- gov.sarah@yahoo.com wrote:

> Amen!!! Tell joey, too, to HELP on this issue. I've
> not been so riled up in a long time over an issue -
> we HAVE to find solutions here.

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> Tom: pls forward to Dick.

> -----Original Message-----

> From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

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> Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 11:48:45

> To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

> Subject: mat maid

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> Sarah,

I know you're probably hearing all
> kinds of things about Mat Maid and yesterday's
> fiasco but here's my two cents.

Mat Maid
> started out as a creamery in 1936 making only butter
> and selling eggs. They eventually started
> selling excess milk from the creamery. This
> was a profitable business for years. As
> recently as 1980, Mat Maid's milk was 100% Alaskan
> dairy produced. Now they say their milk is 35%
> Alaskan mixed with imported milk from outside.
> I've been told it's more like 10% Alaskan.

A
> 1998 legislative audit (audit digest #10-4545-98)
> showed that the company was in dire straits
> then. The public is under the impression that
> Mat Maid's woes are recent. Of course
> production/supply costs have skyrocketed but I think
> the companies major problem stems from WAY too much
> diversification. They are producing too many
> different products (which are more expensive than
> the competition). Alaskans' loyalty
> to the brand has kept them afloat for a long time
> but the whole thing is a losing
> proposition.

There is a growing market for
> organic and premium dairy products. Maybe by
> scaling down their operations and specializing in
> high end, 100% Alaskan dairy products (no imported
> milk powder, etc.), we could save the existing dairy
> farmers and the jobs of most plant workers. I
> suggest sticking with milk, butter, premium ice
> cream (people will buy it!), and maybe
> cheese.

Pass this message along to Dept.
> Comm.Richard LeFebvre if you'd like as he seems to
> be up on the current situation.

Good

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> luck,<br>Chuck<br><p>
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 5:16 PM
To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Bitney; John W (LAA); Meghan N Stapleton; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Holy flippin crap. This is idiotic. So we're not doing enough?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 16:54:00

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Bitney, John W (GOV)" <john.bitney@alaska.gov>, meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

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FYI.

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From: Barbara Huff <Bhuff@akteamsters.com>

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Spencer, Kari L (GOV); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Fri Jun 15 16:45:37 2007

Subject: Mat Maid Dairy

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I believe you have my cell number, 227-4572 or office 565-8236.

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To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Bitney, John W (GOV); Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; Meghan N Stapleton
Sent: Fri Jun 15 17:04:59 2007
Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

It had better be explained to her that yesterday is the FIRST I heard of the mtg request. I will call her if I don't hear that she's been notified asap.

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Subject: Re: FYI

Meg - why do,kt they write about options? Like scaling MM back, transitioning into private sector, etc?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 13:59:11

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Bitney, John W (GOV)" <john.bitney@alaska.gov>, Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

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Find Andrew Wellner online at adn.com/contact/awellner or call 352-6710.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 2:09 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE:

I got gobbledygook.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 2:00 PM

To: Todd Palin; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton; Bitney, John W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Joseph D Schmidt; Talis J Colberg; S R Parnell; Leo Von Scheben; Franci Havemeister; chckheath; Emil R Notti; Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); Denby S Lloyd; Larry A Persily; Katz, John W (GOV); Campbell, Craig (MVA); Walt C Monegan III; Annette E Kreitzer

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Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 1:31 PM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

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Hope you're enjoying the trip!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Spencer, Kari L (GOV)" <kari.spencer@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 08:54:26

To: "Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)" <sunny.cayce@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Yes, Joe Balash did forward a request about a mat-maid meeting for sometime after the board met on june 6.....I ran it by Mike Tibbles and Mike requested we stand by until we learned what the board decided on june 6. I did not receive any further information on mat-maid before I left on june 8.

----- Original Message -----

From: Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: Kristina Y Perry; Spencer, Kari L (GOV)

Sent: Fri Jun 15 08:25:03 2007

Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Governor,

This is the first I've seen of this request, I will check with Kari and Joe first thing this morning.

Sunny

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 7:27 PM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV); Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)
Cc: Kristina Y Perry
Subject: Fw: Mat Maid Dairy

Does anyone have any notice of the Teamsters trying to meet with me two wks ago? This is a very significant issue and hopefully the request didn't get lost between the cracks, but right now just need to know if they did request a mtg two wks ago. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2007 03:10:06

To: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Cc: "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Fw: Mat Maid Dairy

This is the first I've heard of any request the Teamsters had to meet with me re MatMaid.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 14 Jun 2007 18:37:08

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Mat Maid Dairy

Here's the back-and-forth I had with Barbara Huff.

Mike said you also asked why I hadn't replied to a question you had about Mac Carter. I haven't seen an email like that from you...but the

gist is I think Mac is trying hard to what's right without knowing what's right--and the biggest problem we face with him is that he trusts Joe Van Treek.

On Tuesday night when I called him to tell him about the letter and request, he was all gung-ho and on board. In fact, he was relieved that you were stepping up to keep whatever differences there are between MM and DNR out of the way. He told me he thought it would take a slug of about \$300,000 to re-stock the necessary supplies and keep things open at least through the summer and that he would go round up the support on the board to honor your request. Later that night I got a call from Rhonda Boyles asking me to confirm that what Mac told her was the plan was in fact what you wanted to do. However, by morning Mac had been turned around. Rhonda thinks he just gets led around by Van Treek--and I think she's right. Not because Mac is out to do the wrong-headed thing, but because his vision gets blurry when information is presented to him that flies in the face of what he originally thinks is right (kind of like some legislators I know).

-----Original Message-----

From: Barbara Huff [mailto:Bhuff@akteamsters.com <mailto:Bhuff@akteamsters.com>]
Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:45 AM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Martha K Rutherford; Ken Coleman
Subject: RE: Mat Maid Dairy

Joe:

Thanks for your response. Based on what you have shared, scheduling the meeting after that date is probably an excellent idea.

We are dealing with some pretty concerned employees who are right now looking for answers and direction. Although we don't believe they are the only ones concerned, just the ones we hear from regularly.

Thanks again.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph R Balash [mailto:joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us
<mailto:joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 11:11 AM

To: Barbara Huff

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us; Ken Coleman

Subject: Re: Mat Maid Dairy

Barbara:

I can assure you that MatMaid is getting the attention of the Governor. My understanding is that the 600.0 goes through DNR--and the leadership of the department is expecting a plan for the funds before they are transferred. The Creamery Corp. and BAC asked for the funds and now they are being asked what they intend to do with it.

I've not been briefed about the upcoming meeting so I'm not aware of the options that Van Treek plans to put on the table. I had understood there would be multiple options for the board to consider.

I will forward your request to the scheduling office and see what can be done--would it be better to wait until after the meeting on the 6th so we see what has been put on the table?

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: Barbara Huff <Bhuff@akteamsters.com>

Date: Friday, June 1, 2007 10:40 am

Subject: Mat Maid Dairy

To: joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us

Cc: marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us, Ken Coleman

<Kcoleman@akteamsters.com>

> Joe:

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> I left a message on your office phone yesterday regarding a

> meeting that

> my boss Ken Coleman would like to have with the Governor to

> discuss Mat

> Maid Dairy and its impact on Agriculture in this state in general.

> We

> have been advised that there will be a meeting of the Board on

> Wednesday, June 6, 2007 at which time the General Manager is

> expected to

> roll out a plan for Mat Maid.

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> We believe the plan will include a proposal that will shut the Dairy

> down within a couple of months. For us that means about 40 jobs that

> will be immediately impacted in addition to the contract work

> through K

> & W which hauls the milk from the valley to the dairy in town and the

> impact on the farmers. Yes we realize at least a couple of the

> farmers who are running in the red now will probably benefit, if

> their debt is

> ultimately forgiven as a result of Mat Maid Dairy shutting their
door.

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> This also means that one more competitor is taken off the market

> in our
> state. Is this good for the consumers? When Safeway bought out
Carrs,
> part of that deal was maintaining the local products on their
shelves.
> Since that time Mat Maid has not been without challenges in that
area.
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> Additionally, we understood included in the \$600,000.00 allocated
> in the
> Capitol budget this year for Mat Maid Dairy was money to hire a
> consultant to review the Dairy business plan and make some
> recommendations regarding its long term viability. Has there been a
> decision not to hire someone? The current CEO stated in the press at
> least a year or two ago, that he felt the Dairy should privatize,
> which allow it more flexibility in expanding and upgrading facility
and
> products. We don't believe this was ever seriously looked at and
> should be a consideration, if viable.
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> While we understand this may not carry quite the high profile that
> a Gas
> Pipeline or the contemplation of one brings to the table, we do
> believe it is an issue that should be given some consideration at
> the highest
> level of the state before it simply goes away. This company has
> been in
> business in this state for over 70 years and does bring with it some
> loyal consumers as well as employees who have been with the
> company in

> some cases for a 2nd generation. We also realize that it is not
> without problems, which is why we are requesting a meeting with the
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A break from AGIA....Mat Maid, the visit, the truth

Posted: June 16, 2007 - 3:01 pm

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What you didn't hear about was the actual behind the scenes events which took place.

June 13,2007

10:00am - The Governor's Office calls Mat-Maid and requests a tour of the plant. They are told by employees that the plant manager is gone and the only person authorized to give tours, the CEO, is at a well publicized board meeting. It is suggested they reschedule for later.

11:00am - Kris Perry from the Governor's Office calls and announces that Governor Palin will be there at noon. Perry is told once again that there will be noone there authorized to give a tour. Mat-Maid is told it is will just be a few people.

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Todd Palin becomes agitated and asks the Mat-Maid employees "are you telling me you won't let the Governor of Alaska tour this facility?"

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Prediction - Next week a new creamery board will be appointed and the head will be Robert Gottstein who has also been recently awarded a grant for \$475,000 from the federal government to open a milk bottling plant in Palmer.

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Much more on this story to come.

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Cc: Austerman; Joseph M (CED); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Sharon W Leighow
Subject: RE: Fw: mat maid

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Just a couple ideas off the top of my head. Still thinking.

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Sent: 6/16/07 1:28 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid

Mike, et al:

Our concerned citizens group is on it. Mike- did you call Chuck so everyone knows what everyone else is doing?

I'm in Ketchikan.

Meg - idea on add'l press message?

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From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 16 Jun 2007 13:19:43

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: joe_austerman@commerce.state.ak.us

Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid

Yes.

Things are moving quickly. Kurt Bruce made a good point this morning. He said most of the retailers that handle MM products have known for weeks about the coming shutdown and they are already in the midst of securing new contracts with others to fill their dairy spaces. He said a press release from you letting everyone know that we are on the horizon of a solution could stop some of the retailers from signing these new contracts.

I don't think space will be a problem though because there will be a lot less product when it becomes 100% Alaskan. Joey will be contacting Kaladi, Cafe del Mundo, New Sagaya, various food marts, etc. to keep them abreast of the situation. This is going to be exciting.

chuck

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> To: "chckheath" <chckheath@yahoo.com>, "Governor Sarah

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Sent: Saturday, June 16, 2007 3:20 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: fek9wnr@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: BAC

Great information.thank you!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
To: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>; "meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
Cc: "fek9wnr@yahoo.com" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Sent: 6/16/07 2:25 PM
Subject: BAC

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 9:42 PM
To: Sarah Palin; Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Todd Palin; Talis J Colberg; Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: RE: mat maid stats

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From: "Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: "Meghan Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
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Sent: 6/17/07 8:46 PM
Subject: RE: mat maid stats

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Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us> wrote: Ch 2 no is 762-9260
Ch 11 no is 274-1111

Let me know if you want me to say no. They know that your schedule is packed and this may not happen.

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To: "Meghan N Stapleton"
Cc: "Kristina Y Perry" ; "Michael A Tibbles" ; "Todd Palin" ; "Talis J Colberg"

Sent: 6/17/07 6:08 PM

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From: "Meghan Stapleton"

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 18:06:07

To: "Meghan N Stapleton"

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Subject: RE: mat maid stats

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To: "Meghan N Stapleton"

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Sent: 6/17/07 5:44 PM

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stores, less at big stores). That price has probably gone up in the last few months.

Conclusion: If Mat Maid were to go to a 100% Alaskan made product, wholesale it at 4.00 per gallon, the gross after paying the farmers would be 2,845,540.00. The question is, is that enough to sustain a small scale plant? If the wholesale price went up to 5.00 per gallon, gross would go up to 4,133,990.00. We are only talking liquid milk here.

Keep in mind that the dairies have their own problems. Some are debt free and others owe hundreds of thousands of dollars.

***Note! These are not all official stats so don't publicly quote them. They're based on some rough figures given to me.

It will be interesting when you see their books.

Chuck

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-Mat Maids wholesale price to retailers in March was around 4.00 per gal. (I know it was 4.14 for convenience stores, less at big stores). That price has probably

gone up in the last few months.

Conclusion: If Mat Maid were to go to a 100% Alaskan made product, wholesale it at 4.00 per gallon, the gross after paying the farmers would be 2,845,540.00. The question is, is that enough to sustain a small scale plant? If the wholesale price went up to 5.00 per gallon, gross would go up to 4,133,990.00. We are only talking liquid milk here.

Keep in mind that the dairies have their own problems. Some are debt free and others owe hundreds of thousands of dollars.

***Note! These are not all official stats so don't publicly quote them. They're based on some rough figures given to me.

It will be interesting when you see their books.

Chuck

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 5:50 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: (no subject)

Joe and I are still in the office. Would it still be possible to visit in person for a short period? I can show you Franci's list as well as my draft of how we can get our people plugged in while meeting the statutory requirements for members.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 5:47 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Todd Palin
Subject: Fw: (no subject)

Who was the other farmer Franci suggested? Has he been contacted? We don't want more of the same...

-----Original Message-----

From: Franci Havemeister <francihav@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 17:22:00
To: Sarah <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: (no subject)

FYI: Don Dinkel and Kristan Cole were both Van Treeck fans in years gone by. Both sat on the board with my father - in -law in years past at that was his take on their stance. Hopefully their opinion has changed over the years but if not we are back at square one.

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From: Joseph D Schmidt [joseph_schmidt@correct.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 2:44 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); chckheath; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Todd Palin
Subject: Re: Mat Maid

Hello,

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FYI

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sunday, June 17, 2007 10:15 am

Subject: Re: Mat Maid

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: Kristina Y Perry <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, chckheath

<chckheath@yahoo.com>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, Meghan N

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> Sent: Sun Jun 17 08:20:04 2007

> Subject: Re: Mat Maid

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 11:08 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Mat Maid

He has a great sense of humor. I just emailed him and let him know I need to discuss some items today. Now if I could just come up with some news that was so good he would shout out during the sermon "Thank God!"

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 11:02 AM
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Mat Maid

You have a very funny AG, Tibbles. See below.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 18:52:39
To: "Talis Colberg" <Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us>
Subject: Re: Mat Maid

You're goin' the hell unless you turn your crackberry off.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Talis Colberg" <Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 10:42:32
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Mat Maid

Well I am not so awesome because I am in church and I probably should be listening to the sermon. Talis.

>>> <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> 6/17 10:39 am >>>

You're awesome. Thank you.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Talis Colberg" <Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 10:24:44

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Mat Maid

Dear Governor. I just sent Tibbles an email about having my staff ready to help coordinate tommorrow. Talis.

>>> <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> 6/17 10:15 am >>>

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 10:46 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Fw: Mat Maid

The two hours is total on the ground time that includes transportation to the airport and back. The only scheduled events are an one hour meeting with the Premere and a 10-15 minute press event. I have tried to keep it as bare bones as possible.

I just pulled up to the office and I will start making the rounds to keep things coordinated.

Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Sun Jun 17 10:22:42 2007
Subject: Re: Mat Maid

I don't need two hrs there, tho right? I was told it's a 10-15 min presser - what's the rest of the visit that's been added? I want to get back to work on my priorities for alaska - not canada's railroad idea. I need to be back in Anch no later than 12:30.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 10:03:19

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Fw: Mat Maid

We will be on the ground about 2 hours. We should arrive in Anchorage at 1:00 pm. I am told it is a 2 hour flight from Whitehorse to Anchorage (pretty much the same as from Juneau).

Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Sun Jun 17 09:46:13 2007

Subject: Re: Mat Maid

How long will we be in WH? I need to know when I'll arv back in Anch on tuesday.

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Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 9:44 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Todd Palin; Meghan N Stapleton; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Frank Bailey; Bitney; John W (LAA); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: ah

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From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: "Todd Palin" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>; "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>
Cc: "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>; "John W Bitney" <john_bitney@gov.state.ak.us>; "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>
Sent: 6/17/07 8:17 AM
Subject: Re: ah

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-----Original Message-----

From: Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 08:57:50

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: ah

A break from AGIA....Mat Maid, the visit, the truth

Posted: June 16, 2007 - 3:01 pm

Much has been written about Governor Palin's visit to the Matanuska Maid Dairy and how she was spurned from taking a tour.

What you didn't hear about was the actual behind the scenes events which took place.

June 13, 2007

10:00am - The Governor's Office calls Mat-Maid and requests a tour of the plant. They are told by employees that the plant manager is gone and the only person authorized to give tours, the CEO, is at a well publicized board meeting. It is suggested they reschedule for later.

11:00am - Kris Perry from the Governor's Office calls and announces that Governor Palin will be there at noon. Perry is told once again that there will be noone there authorized to give a tour. Mat-Maid is told it is will just be a few people.

11:30am - Unable to reach the CEO on his cell phone because he is in the middle of a presentation to the creamery board, the CEO's wife fields a frantic phone call from the office.

11:45am - The CEO's wife in her car arrives at the Westmark Hotel where she slips a note to the CEO. The public session has just begun and the CEO is unable to leave until he is finished with Q &A. He instructs his office to make the governor as comfortable as possible in the conference room until he can break away.

Noon - The Governor arrives with a large entourage of people, including her husband Todd, daughter Piper, DNR officials, staff and security. Also in tow is several media outlets.

Todd Palin becomes agitated and asks the Mat-Maid employees "are you telling me you won't let the Governor of Alaska tour this facility?"

12:30pm - The CEO finally breaks away from the meeting and calls his office to inform them he is 7 or 8 minutes away from the plant.

Back at Mat-Maid, the Governor decides to wait no longer and leaves before the CEO arrives.

Prediction - Next week a new creamery board will be appointed and the head will be Robert Gottstein who has also been recently awarded a grant for \$475,000 from the federal government to open a milk bottling plant in Palmer.

Fact - Did you know that over the last 20 years,
Matanuska Maid in an effort to support Alaskan Grown
have paid Alaskan Dairy Farmers roughly \$4 million
dollars more for locally produced milk than they paid
for milk imported from outside Alaska?

Much more on this story to come.

Boardwalk for \$500? In 2007? Ha! Play Monopoly Here and Now (it's updated for today's
economy) at Yahoo! Games.

<http://get.games.yahoo.com/proddesc?gamekey=monopolyherenow>

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
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From: Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

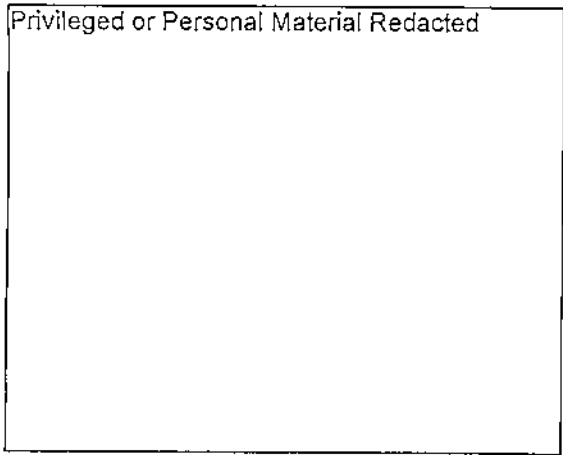
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 8:28 AM
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Off to st louis

Enjoy! Get a tan!!!

Love ya too and be careful. I'm keeping you in the loop on matmaid bc it's our latest bizarre chapter.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (GOV)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 00:02:31

To: "Frye, Ivy J (GOV)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Subject: Off to st louis

Hope you all have a great couple of days. I'm gone til tuesday, but have my phone and blackberry if you need anything.

Love ya

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 8:26 AM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Mat Maid

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 16:23:26

To: "Todd Palin" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

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Msg also has to include: "the creamery bd voted to close MM, hence their work is done and they'll not have any task in front of them anymore..." (Is this accurate? Wasn't their entire mission to operate the now defunct MM?) "...hence the need for a new bd with new focus..."

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From: Todd Palin [fek9wnr@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 6:25 AM
To: Sarah Palin; Meghan N Stapleton; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Halcro's new Blog mischief...now who gave this info to him??

Attachments: Halcro's new Blog mischief...now who gave this info to him?? (5.63 KB)



Halcro's new Blog
mischief...n...

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:26 PM

To: govsp@alaska.gov

Subject: email test

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 11:07 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: 'Todd Palin'
Subject: RE: BAC Stuff

I was trying to gauge when Steve O'Brien (Channel 11) left. Seemed to be between 12:30 / 35 and 12:50pm (when we left). He was there a bit, but was definitely gone by the time we got out of there.

Meghan N. Stapleton
Communications Director
Office of Governor Sarah Palin
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907.269.7463 f
907.321.4975 c

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 10:54 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Michael A Tibbles; Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Todd Palin
Subject: Re: BAC Stuff

Then that employee was not truthful in stating VT was in the parking lot. Saw the reporter, chose to not enter facility? Unless the reporter was hanging around a long time...

-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 10:07:06

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)"

<mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, Meghan N Stapleton
<meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
Subject: RE: BAC Stuff

Mark isn't sure of the exact time but he thinks it was close to 1pm.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 10:00 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Todd Palin;
Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: Re: BAC Stuff

So what time did he leave? Did it get over?

-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 09:39:28
To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>,
gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)"
<mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, Meghan N
Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
Subject: RE: BAC Stuff

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-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:45 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Todd Palin; Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: RE: BAC Stuff

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-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>; "Todd Palin" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
Sent: 6/18/07 6:34 AM
Subject: Re: BAC Stuff

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 17 Jun 2007 23:13:56
To: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: BAC Stuff

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Sent: Sun 6/17/2007 10:45 PM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV);

'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: Fw: BAC Stuff

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----- Original Message -----

From: Douglas Warner <douglas_warner@dnr.state.ak.us>

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Tom E Irwin; Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Warner, Douglas R (DNR)

Sent: Sun Jun 17 22:43:26 2007

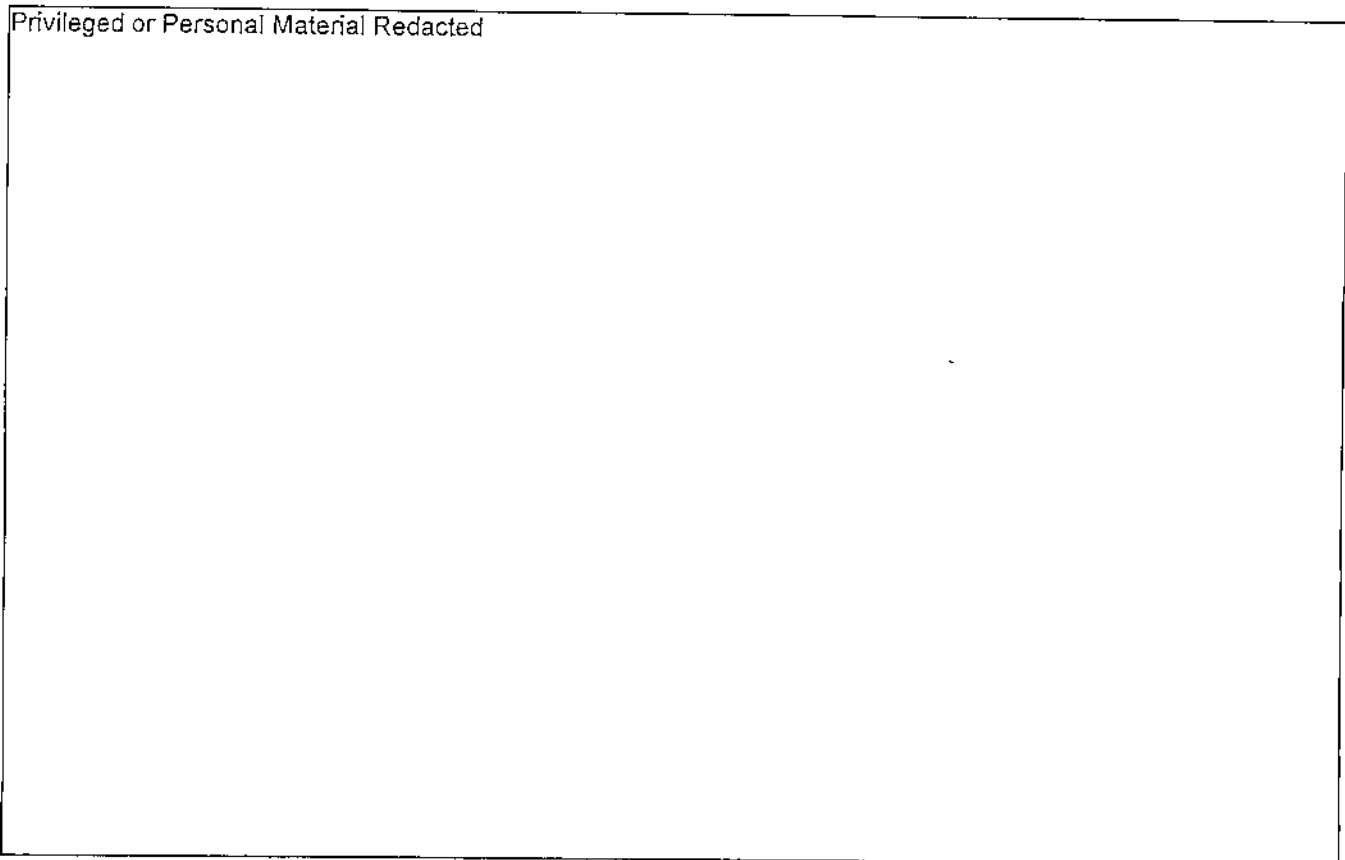
Subject: Re: BAC Stuff

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Balash, Joseph R (GOV) wrote:

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Thanks.

Joe

Unknown

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:27 PM

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Subject: RE: this is a test

perfect

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:27 PM

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Subject: this is a test

email

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 10:29 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Bac

Is everything going okay up there? Anything I can do from here? I heard there's some resistance. Bac members ALL serve at your pleasure. Sorry I'm not there!!!

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:56 AM
To: chckheath; Frank Bailey; Franci Havemeister; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Todd Palin; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR); Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Bitney; John W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: mat maid.

Just head's up - here's an example of the misperceptions that may be out there - this fellow believes our efforts are all for only four or five dairy farmers? Important we get a more accurate msg out there.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 09:39:30

To: Red Secoy <redsecoy@gmail.com>

Cc: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: RE: mat maid.

Red,

Sorry I haven't gotten much communication back to you, but things have been hopping around here and I didn't want to go through a bunch of what-ifs; I thought it best to utilize your input as a "clean" indication of what folks out there are seeing/hearing. Nevertheless, we are ready to start talking about the plans the Governor has for the BAC and Mat Maid.

First, I can tell you first hand the Governor does not look for (or appreciate) yes men. With new appointments today, she will be looking for people she trusts to go in and take a hard look and make a sound decision about the short-term horizon. Unfortunately, the message(s) we were getting from Mat Maid management and some members of the board were inconsistent—which leads to suspicion in the ag community and puts cracks in the confidence the Governor can have in the message itself. Also, the sudden change in direction by Mat Maid (shutting down in July versus the end of the year) has unfairly put the dairy farmers in the position of having the rug pulled out from under them without time to plan for a total shutdown if that is the necessary result. Bottom line, she needs a frank assessment pretty quick from folks she has confidence in.

Second, this is not just about 5 dairy farms. There are more than 100 jobs at Mat Maid—everything from the truckers who pickup and deliver products to support staff in the corporate offices. Also, the dairy farms are the market for farms that grow feed and hay. And if the dairies stop providing a regular supply of cattle to the slaughterhouse, it could shut down, too. Then the pig farmers wouldn't have anywhere to take their animals. The ripple affect will be felt all over the agricultural industry.

Finally, there is going to be a look at whatever long-term solutions there might be. The Governor needs to know what the range of long-term solutions might look like. If the only way to continue a dairy production industry in Alaska is with long-term subsidies from the State, we need to know that. I can tell you the Governor wants a private sector solution here. But if Mat Maid closes without time for the private sector to respond and fill the market gap, we could lose the dairy industry and it is unlikely those dairies (or new ones) will come back.

Joe

From: Red Secoy [mailto:redsecoy@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:01 AM

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Meghan N Stapleton

Subject: mat maid.

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Red Secoy

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Have a GREAT DAY,

Red Secoy

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:47 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'Todd Palin'; Tom E Irwin; Martha K Rutherford; Bitney; John W (GOV); Sharon W Leighow; Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Talis J Colberg; Joseph D Schmidt
Subject: RE: Oh baby!

Phew. Glad you liked - and appreciate the feedback.

Meghan N. Stapleton
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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 17, 2007 10:15 PM
To: Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Kristina Y Perry; Todd Palin; Tom Irwin; Martha K Rutherford; John W Bitney; Sharon W Leighow; Joseph R Balash; Talis J Colberg; Joseph D Schmidt
Subject: Oh baby!

C'mon Meg - you have to promise me you'll do the talkin' for me much more often!!! Awesome job on KTUU tonight! You made a tremendous amount of sense, explaining the structure of ag, hence the changing of the guard.

Thank you very much!

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:29 AM
To: Joseph D Schmidt
Subject: Re: mat maid.

Whooooops! I'll have Joe Balash respond to Red.

Three Joeys around here - makes me feel like we're in an Australian zoo.

-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph Schmidt <joseph_schmidt@correct.state.ak.us>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 09:11:37

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: mat maid.

Hello Boss,

Is this message intended for Joe Balash, Austerman, or Schmidt? Two Joey's and a Joe....If it's me, great and I'd be happy to meet with Red. Our message at the farmers rally Friday is what he needs to hear.

Thanx

Joe (Schmidt)

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:52 AM

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton

Subject: Re: mat maid.

Joe - you'll explain all this to Red - or should I?

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Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 15:20:31

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Subject: Re: mat maid.

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From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 06:52:04

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)"

<kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)"

<mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us

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To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Cc: Meghan N Stapleton

Sent: Mon Jun 18 00:00:45 2007

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Red Secoy

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Have a GREAT DAY,

Red Secoy

Unknown

From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:09 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; 'Talis Colberg'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); 'Todd Palin'
Subject: RE: Fw: mat maid.

It is fascinating to watch the messaging. We have used the messages below - and they have been reported. I think the mixing of the messages perhaps comes from talk radio and others who think they know what the Governor wants (Mat Maid / Creamery Corp / BAC). We will continue to emphasize and just stick with the same message to reiterate our intent.

Thank you!

Meghan N. Stapleton
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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 8:26 AM
To: Talis Colberg; Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Kristina Y Perry; Michael A Tibbles; Joseph R Balash; Todd Palin
Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Talis Colberg" <Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us>

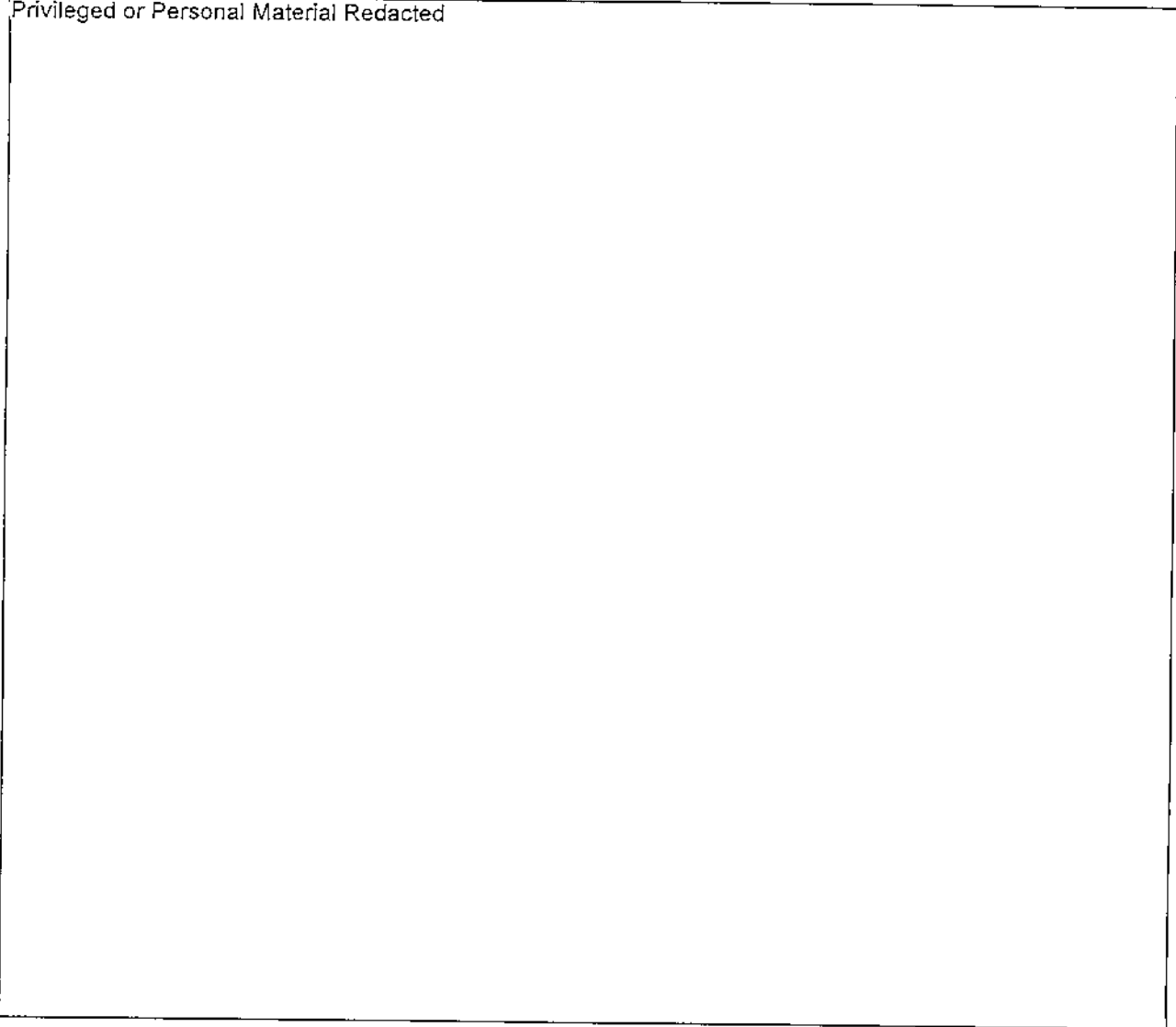
Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 07:55:05

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid.

Dear Governor Palin,

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Talis

>>> <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> 06/18 7:20 AM >>>

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Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Talis Colberg" <Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 07:55:05

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Fw: mat maid.

Dear Governor Palin,

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Talis

>>> <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> 06/18 7:20 AM >>>

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Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 15:20:31

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Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 8:23 AM
To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re;

Appreciate his suggested names - think we got it covered.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 07:47:16

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Fw:

Here's what speaker Harris is hearing in the office.

----- Original Message -----

From: Peter Fellman <Peter_Fellman@legis.state.ak.us>

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Bitney, John W (GOV); Tom E Irwin; Martha K Rutherford; Saddler, Daniel R (DNR)

Sent: Mon Jun 18 07:39:34 2007

Subject;

Just sending a copy of the opinion piece I did for the Newsminer, It was printed in the Sunday paper June 17th

Some suggested names for the BAC.

Don Brainerd, Ex Chair of BAC, Palmer, started Mat Maid investigation by BAC

Bob Franklin, Ex Chair of BAC, North Pole, Farm Bureau

Rex Wrigley, Soil and Water Conservation, barley farmer

Rob Wells, Ex director of Agriculture

Wayne Brost, Dairy farmer

Unknown

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:55 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Whitehorse

I have conveyed the same thoughts to not only the Premier's old Chief of Staff but his new one as well. We are definitely attending to accept and release the work that has been done to date. We have made no commitments going forward but I am sure we will be asked during the press availability.

I sent a number of questions to the Premier's office regarding the format for the press event. I will follow up to get additional information.

Mike

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:37 AM
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Whitehorse

Mike- want to make sure tomorrow's press conf in Canada is in NO WAY a set up to make it look like I support the Premier's plan for his railroad. I support public disclosure of the plan's findings but can not comment in any way whether this is good for AK.

My understanding is he's hurting in some polls(?), he needs a few wins here, and he's been waiting for this "big" announcement on his railroad plan. We don't want to embarrass him, so his folks have got to know they can't look to me to endorse a plan that we have not even studied.

I'd really like to see his talking points before cameras roll with me standing by his side to announce his plans. I know Murkowski was a fan of his rail expansion, hopefully they don't assume this admin looks favorably on a transportation plan that isn't bright on our radar screen.

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Subject: Re: mat maid.

I think it best if I do. The answer will be off to him just as soon as I'm done with my 800 appt.

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To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Sent: Mon Jun 18 07:51:48 2007
Subject: Re: mat maid.

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [mike.tibbles@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:52 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Todd Palin
Subject: RE: Fairbanks

I just spoke with Tom here at the office. Since the kids are going to the family events, we are making arrangements for the KingAir. Tom is also making calls this morning for lodging.

Kris, let's go over Melissa's draft schedule today and give her a call a little later. Also, the Governor indicated that Bernie would like her to visit Chena Hot Springs on her next trip so let's talk about that as well. Thanks.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:48 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Cayce, Sunny C (GOV); Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd Palin
Subject: RE: Fairbanks

I can ck w/gary this morning.

-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: "Sunny Cayce" <sunny_cayce@gov.state.ak.us>; "Kari L Spencer" <kari_spencer@gov.state.ak.us>
Cc: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>; "Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>; "Todd Palin" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Sent: 6/18/07 7:42 AM
Subject: Fairbanks

Haven't heard on accomodations for fairbanks this wk - I can make arrangements if we haven't done this yet - I had sent an earlier email stating I'll talk to whomever is making the arrangements. Anyone know what's up with this week's trip?

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From: Spencer, Kari L (GOV) [kari.spencer@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 11:40 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: Mid-East Trip/Next Chapter
Importance: High

Any chance the Governor can be back in Alaska on the morning of July 28?

From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 11:20 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Spencer, Kari L (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mid-East Trip/Next Chapter

Thanks. I'll advise DoD.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you.

>>> On 6/18/2007 at 3:13 PM, in message <52658825-1182194039-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-1751613428-@bxel06.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

I'd rather lv NGA early and still go to see our troops july 23

-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 15:08:21

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Kari Spencer" <kari_spencer@gov.state.ak.us>, "Michael Tibbles" <michael_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Mid-East Trip/Next Chapter

Because of the number of scheduled visits to Kuwait, the Department of Defense would like to postpone your Mid-East trip from July 16 to July 23rd.

NGA's summer meeting begins on July 20th and ends on July 23rd. I mentioned that these dates might conflict with the rescheduled trip. DoD responded that you could begin the trip on July 24th rather than the 23rd.

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However, since Friday is the Sabbath in Kuwait and Iraq, nothing much happens that day, according to DoD. Therefore, a sequence which usually takes five days would be compressed into four.

With all of this in mind, I ask for your guidance on what you would prefer. Would you want to leave NGA early, assuming you are going? In the alternative, would you prefer to start on July 24th or to postpone the trip all together for a while? I believe that DoD will not schedule additional gubernatorial trips after mid July until the fall because of summer heat in Kuwait and Iraq.

P.S.

I'm sorry that I wasn't able to participate in more of the Cabinet meeting on Friday. I hope my comments made some sense notwithstanding static and echoes. If you get the chance some time, perhaps we could do a teleconference with the Chief of Staff to catch up on federal issues that might be of interest.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 10:47 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: FW: mat maid.
 And he's back...

From: Red Secoy [mailto:redsecoy@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 10:38 AM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: mat maid.

Joe,

Thank you for getting back to me. I too think that a sudden closure is unrealistic to dairy community. I would think that a least by end of this year would give farmers time to disperse herds.. I am fully aware of ripple effect. I was involved with Mat Maid when the State had to foreclose on the first round of failed dairy's at Point Mac.

The slaughter house is just another state operated money losing operation. It doesn't make sense to prop up one failing enterprise by propping up another failing enterprise. The State of Alaska has been involved in these money losing operations now for over a quarter of a century. I we going to go for a half century?

Red Secoy

On 6/18/07, Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov> wrote:

Red,

Sorry I haven't gotten much communication back to you, but things have been hopping around here and I didn't want to go through a bunch of what-ifs; I thought it best to utilize your input as a "clean" indication of what folks out there are seeing/hearing. Nevertheless, we are ready to start talking about the plans the Governor has for the BAC and Mat Maid,

First, I can tell you first hand the Governor does not look for (or appreciate) yes men. With new appointments today, she will be looking for people she trusts to go in and take a hard look and make a sound decision about the short-term horizon. Unfortunately, the message(s) we were getting from Mat Maid management and some members of the board were inconsistent—which leads to suspicion in the ag community and puts cracks in the confidence the Governor can have in the message itself. Also, the sudden change in direction by Mat Maid (shutting down in July versus the end of the year) has unfairly put the dairy farmers in the position of having the rug pulled out from under them without time to plan for a total shutdown if that is the necessary result. Bottom line, she needs a frank assessment pretty quick from folks she has confidence in.

Second, this is not just about 5 dairy farms. There are more than 100 jobs at Mat Maid—everything from the truckers who pickup and deliver products to support staff in the corporate offices. Also, the dairy

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farms are the market for farms that grow feed and hay. And if the dairies stop providing a regular supply of cattle to the slaughterhouse, it could shut down, too. Then the pig farmers wouldn't have anywhere to take their animals. The ripple affect will be felt all over the agricultural industry.

Finally, there is going to be a look at whatever long-term solutions there might be. The Governor needs to know what the range of long-term solutions might look like. If the only way to continue a dairy production industry in Alaska is with long-term subsidies from the State, we need to know that. I can tell you the Governor wants a private sector solution here. But if Mat Maid closes without time for the private sector to respond and fill the market gap, we could lose the dairy industry and it is unlikely those dairies (or new ones) will come back.

Joe

From: Red Secoy [mailto:redsecoy@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:01 AM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: mat maid.

Joe,

I'm a little worried about the way the Governor is handling this Mat Maid thing. I still have a lot of faith in her and her ideas. But I believe that maybe she isn't getting the whole picture on this dairy business. Dairy nation wide has been supported by government for many decades. Now with the ethanol growth the price of feed is going to put a squeeze on even the best run dairy's in lower 48. Joe Van Treeck is a very capable and honorable man. He has already done miracles keeping Mat Maid operating for last 25 years.. He took a lot of heat early on by importing milk to keep production up. Through out the years he has introduce many innovative products to keep the dairy diversified. I do believe that if Joe Van Treeck can't keep Mat Maid going then no one can. My point is I don't want to see Sarah get into something which will backfire and haunt her for the rest of her administration. Although she is quite committed publicly almost Frank like. I do not believe that the dairy can once again operate without lots of government dollars. If she goes and puts 2-3 million dollars into to save livelihood of 4 or 5 farmers it will not set very well with a lot of people in the state. Also by axing board members that aren't yes men she puts other state directors into the position of maybe not being quite candid enough so as not to lose their jobs. I don't really believe in the my way or highway approach when you are dealing with knowledgeable people. You end up with too many yes men and too many failed projects.

Red Secoy

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 Have a GREAT DAY,
 Red Secoy

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Have a GREAT DAY,
Red Secoy

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From: Spencer, Kari L (GOV) [kari.spencer@alaska.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 2:04 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Blackberry

Importance: High

Karen found your Yahoo inbox but needs your Blackberry here to restore. Can Karen meet you at the Mansion tonight to grab your Blackberry and fix it before you leave in the morning? Say, 5:30pm or so?

Kari Spencer
Governor's Scheduler
907-465-3986 phone; 907-465-3889 fax

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From: Tom Irwin [tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 11:33 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: Franci

I thought Franci did a good job in the dairy farmers meeting today and the rally was great.

Mike in your work with the new board I need at least two or more good names to interview for Ag director. I hope Franci is on the list. It would sure help me if this could be an item for tomorrow's new board meeting. Thanks Tom

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
To: "Tom Irwin" <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>
Sent: 6/15/07 11:14 AM
Subject: Franci

See the energy Franci provides?! She'd be so good on the team - get her a great deputy and staff around her and her leadership as Ag Director will be awesome.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:59 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Re: MM replacements

Yes. She made the calls on Friday evening.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 18 21:36:14 2007
Subject: Re: MM replacements

Maybe Ivy had made the call of dismissal?

----- Original Message -----

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 18 21:15:30 2007
Subject: RE: MM replacements

Governor,

He called the office today right before I headed over to the Mansion for the lunch. I just came across the note with his number on it and the message as I was gathering up things in my office for tomorrow's meeting. He wanted to know why he was let go.

I will call him tomorrow.

Joe

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:13 PM

To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: MM replacements

I assume Mr Willard is a former BAC member? He was on the news tonight, saying I shocked him when I made an abrupt call to him to dismiss him this weekend. Hmmm. I've never spoken to him - whomever called him - what was his reaction to the explanation I'm sure he was given when explaining the bd was to be replaced?

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From: S R Parnell [sr_parnell@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:17 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Fwd: Representative Don Young's 2007 Financial Disclosure Statement

fyi--we released Rep. Don Young's financial disclosures today after
Law determined them to be public records.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:16 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Frye; Ivy J (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: MM replacements

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Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:13 PM
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: MM replacements

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From: govpalin@alaska.gov
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 6:00 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Governor Sarah Palin
Subject: Re: Bb test

Test

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Jun 18, 2007 5:43 PM
Subject: Bb test

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From: Spencer, Kari L (GOV) [kari.spencer@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:53 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Change Point Church

Importance: High

2:15pm at the Sportsdome with Mayor Begich, tomorrow, Tuesday, June 19, he said you know what. He'll send the language for a press release in the morning for your review to me, I'll forward it to you.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:43 PM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Change Point Church

What when where

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Spencer, Kari L (GOV)" <kari.spencer@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jun 2007 13:38:39
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Change Point Church

Karl Clausen called and wanted to know if you were still "on" for the press event tomorrow in Anchorage (he said you agreed to do this).

Kari Spencer

Governor's Scheduler

907-465-3986 phone; 907-465-3889 fax

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:51 PM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)

Can't find my last two wks of messages...

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:41 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Minnick

I did this. His term begins 7-1-07

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 18 13:39:44 2007
Subject: Fw: Minnick

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jun 06 09:41:34 2007
Subject: Minnick

Pls put Tucker Minnick on educ bd. His brother's cell is Privileged. His parents are Diane and Paul.

Just saw Paul at SuValley hs fire site.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:40 PM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Minnick

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Subject: Fw: Minnick

Sent this june 6, did it arrive?

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jun 06 10:51:11 2007
Subject: Re: Minnick

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From: Ivy Frye <ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Wed, 06 Jun 2007 10:33:19

To: govpalin@gov.state.ak.us, 'Kristina Y Perry' <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: RE: Minnick

Okay.

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-----Original Message-----

From: govpalin@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:govpalin@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2007 9:42 AM

To: Ivy J Frye; Kristina Y Perry

Subject: Minnick

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 1:34 PM
To: Cayce; Sunny C (GOV)
Subject: You have been designated as a delegate for Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

This message was sent automatically by Microsoft Office Outlook to inform you that you have been designated as a delegate. You can now send messages on my behalf.

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| Contacts: | None |
| Notes: | None |
| Journal: | None |

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 12:46 PM
To: network@etp1107.etp.na.blackberry.net
Subject: RIM_bca28a80-e9c0-11d1-87fe-00600811c6a2

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ENDETP 1460135180

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 11:30 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Sharon W Leighow; Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: ANCSA MEETING TALKING POINTS
Importance: High
Governor,

My apologies. Went to fax this at 11am, but learned that it was supposed to be 11am, Canada time / 10am Alaska time. You were already in the air.

I know you can't receive this right now. Bob will have copies at the airport.

Thanks,
Meg

ANCSA Agenda – June 19, 2007

*** Education - New Commissioner (Press Release)**

Almost two weeks ago now, you accepted the resignation of Commissioner Roger Sampson and offered congratulations on the acceptance of his new position as President of Education Commission of the States.

The Education Commission of the States is an Interstate compact that exchanges information and ideas among state policymakers and education leaders to develop policy and strategies that will improve the quality of education across the nation.

Impact on national level should have strong benefits for the state of Alaska.

The State Board of Education & Early Development appointed Sampson as the Alaska Commissioner of Education & Early Development on May 9, 2003. The board will conduct a national search for a replacement. Interested candidates may contact the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development. Under state law, the board appoints the commissioner which is subject to the approval of the governor. The commissioner serves at the pleasure of the board.

Commissioner Sampson will serve through August 17, 2007.

*** 8a Issue - Statewide impacts and National opportunities (John Katz)**

Regarding Section 8(a), we are working very closely with representatives of the Native community to preserve the essential elements of this program for Native entities.

There is a serious threat to the program in Congress. Some members don't understand how

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It works, and others have received complaints from constituents who have lost contracts to Alaska Native corporations.

The House has passed legislation which would seriously restrict the program. The Senate is expected to act sometime soon. Discussions involving the Congressional delegation, Native entities, and us have focused on what strategy to pursue in the Senate - whether to propose a compromise or to advocate for the status quo. It is expected that legislation in some form will pass in the current Congress.

State support for the 8(a) program is premised on the significant benefits that accrue to Native corporations and their shareholders and on the beneficial impacts on the Alaska economy in general. There have been some abuses, but these have been rectified. So, our goal has been to maintain the basic elements of the 8(a) program.

I presume that the Native leaders are principally concerned about energy policy in Alaska. Suffice it to say that, at the Federal level, Congress is preoccupied with renewable energy. There is little interest in provisions that would benefit the domestic oil and gas industry. In fact, tax incentives for the industry that were enacted just a couple of years ago may well be repealed in favor of incentives for renewables.

There is no reasonable likelihood that the coastal plain of ANWR will be opened to oil and gas development in the foreseeable future (although Senators Stevens and Murkowski may propose an amendment to include ANWR in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve System).

However, there is strong bipartisan support for commercializing North Slope natural gas. At the moment, we are not asking for anything new here to promote pipeline construction. The focus is on implementing AGIA.

*** Gasline (Meghan Stapleton)**

My gasline team recently returned from Washington, DC, where they held meetings with White House officials, including Drue Pearce; FERC, including Chairman Kelliher, all three members of the Congressional delegation; and federal agencies, including Department of Energy.

The team is busy working on the Request for Applications (RFA) right now. They are still driving toward an early July timeline for release of the RFA. The RFAs will be due back three months later. At that point, the team will go through the applications and the public will look through the applications which meet the criteria laid out in AGIA. Irwin and Galvin will choose the best candidate (could be a group) and then forward to legislature for approval, as per AGIA.

We are all reaching out to all potential parties / companies to let them know how much we valued their input during the process and the importance of participation in our gasline project.

*** Energy policy (From Bethel Energy Speech)**

What I hear most often is the worry and concern about the high cost of energy in our villages. And it's not fair. The high cost of living is tough enough - and then you have the burden of high fuel costs - felt every day. Fuel costs touch homes, transportation, and food because villages are not on the road system. I know that energy controls the costs of everything - and that for seven months, everything must come in from the air and that only hurts more.

I know and I understand that people are migrating away from our villages because it costs too much to live there and I know that others still are leaving smaller villages to move to larger

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villages, like Bethel, because it's just too costly outside of here.

Homes are for sale... jobs are unfilled... and it's not healthy. And I understand people want to work in the Bush, but just can't afford it because of the high cost of living.

There are a couple of ways I will try to help – first of all, I will continue to manage the state's fish and game for abundance. The one piece of help that you have is subsistence – with the high cost of food. And I will continue to aggressively defend our predator control programs.

Additionally, as promised, I have tasked numerous individuals and departments to focus on and think about renewable energy sources and how we can harness those sources to help you and to reduce your costs. Sources like geothermal and wind, to just name two.

That's why I have requested funds for an Alaska Energy Inventory in my capital budget. We need to identify all sources of energy all over this state and put that information into an electronic map. Once we have done this, we can take the next step and identify the right technology and hardware to convert those alternative sources into energy you can use. If we identify the sources of our energy that are closest to our communities and match it up with the right technology, we can bring down these extraordinary costs to a level that allows people to live where they want.

So please know that we are thinking of you, we are working to help you, and while the solution won't be overnight, please know that you are on our minds and our not forgotten.

*** Subsistence**

- The state provides a preference for all Alaskans for subsistence. State subsistence regulations allow rural and non-rural residents to hunt and fish on all lands (private, state, and federal) unless the federal government closes its lands to uses other than subsistence harvest by federally qualified individuals.
- The state's approach protects the ability of rural residents who move to urban areas to continue subsistence activities in rural areas. It also protects the ability of rural residents not covered by a customary and traditional (C&T) use determination to continue subsistence activities on federal public lands, unless closed. Once the federal government adopts a C&T determination for a species in an area, rural residents not covered by that determination can only subsistence hunt or fish on federal public lands under state regulations.
- Having dual wildlife regulatory systems (federal subsistence management overlaid on traditional state fish and wildlife management) continues to be an important issue for rural Alaskans. In many areas rural users are moving away from involvement in the state system because the federal subsistence program seems to grant the desires of rural residents, often at the expense of other Alaskans and sometimes to the detriment of the resource.
- Paradoxically, since predator management is not allowed on federal refuges, parks, and preserves, the federal system precludes attempts to increase wildlife abundance, which in turn exacerbates the tensions between local subsistence users and non-locals.

• Federal Subsistence Board

- The Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture have proposed changes to the list of "rural" and "non-rural" determinations for communities based on the 2000 census and other factors in federal subsistence regulations. These revisions could affect Adak, Prudhoe Bay and parts of the Kenai, Wasilla/Palmer and Homer areas. Saxman has protested being listed as non-rural and part of Ketchikan; and a number of communities connected by road near Kenai might be lumped together. There has been widespread opposition to the Board's decision to authorize subsistence fisheries for residents of Ninilchik, Hope and Cooper Landing on the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers. Kodiak was proposed to change to

non-rural, but under the final rule is still classified as rural. The State took no position on individual communities but protested the lack of evenhandedness in the federal process.

- The Federal Board continues to adopt regulations that duplicate State regulations and, thus, create confusion on the ground due to regulatory drift of the two sets of regulations because Federal lands are not marked on the ground. The duplicative regulations also establish a priority for rural residents that are not based on criteria to determine customary and traditional use and without determining the amount of use reasonably necessary for subsistence before restricting other uses. The State frequently protests the Board's inconsistent process and lack of factual evidence for determining customary and traditional uses (e.g., sporadic use anywhere is used instead of evidence of a community pattern of use).

*** 50th Anniversary of Statehood**

My office is coordinating the anniversary celebration. In particular, Kris Perry is serving as Chairman and they are meeting regularly, preparing for the celebration.

ANCSA Background

The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) was enacted in 1971. Under the Act, Native corporations received approximately 44 million acres and almost \$1 billion in settlement of their aboriginal land claims in Alaska.

The settlement was distributed to Alaska Native corporations chartered under State law. Significant economic benefits have accrued to many of these corporations, thereby benefitting their shareholders and the Alaska economy in general.

Over the years, ANCSA has been amended on numerous occasions. At the moment, various proposals to amend ANCSA are under discussion:

- A bill that would provide approximately 1.4 million acres of land in Alaska to the 13th Regional Corporation comprised of Alaska Native shareholders who enrolled in this out of state corporation. The Department of Natural Resources and the Governor's DC office are currently analyzing this legislation. Various concerns have been identified, including the impact on State selections called topfilings and on the pace of State selections under the Alaska Statehood Act. Although it had some initial reservations, the Alaska Federation of Natives now supports the bill, according to its proponents. Congressional hearings have not yet been scheduled.
- A bill that would complete Sealaska's land entitlement in the Tongass National Forest by allowing certain selections beyond the areas around villages originally withdrawn for selection. DNR, together with the Governor's DC office, is now examining maps depicting these selections. Legislation has not yet been introduced but undoubtedly will be. Opposition is expected from national environmental organizations and possibly from certain local communities.
- In the past, legislation has been proposed to provide a land entitlement to certain Southeast communities, such as Haines, which did not receive an entitlement under ANCSA. The rationale is that these communities were overlooked by Congress in 1971. No legislation has been introduced in the current Congress.
- The residents of Alexander Creek want to be treated as a village, rather than as a Native group, under ANCSA. This would increase their land entitlement by several-fold. The State is analyzing this proposal. Several issues have been identified, including possible land use conflicts and the precedent for other Native groups.

Rural Issues Talking Points (Nizich)

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Commercial Fishing Issues:

ADF&G is working with local organizations on research and monitoring programs.

- Community Development Quota (CDQ) groups are funding important projects in Bristol Bay and the AYK Region to study catch size, gather escapement data and do genetic research. We're working with the Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation, the Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association, the Coastal Village Regional Fund, the Kuskokwim Native Association, the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, the Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association and numerous others. Many of these projects are funded by the federal Office of Subsistence Management.

ADF&G is working to improve communication with rural residents regarding fishery management.

- The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has worked to develop numerous stakeholder groups with which to discuss fishery management and gain input from users.
- Examples of these groups and efforts include weekly Yukon River Drainage Fishery Association meetings, the Kuskokwim River salmon Management Working Group, Prince William Sound Salmon Harvest Task Force, Southeast Alaska Seine Harvest Task Force (and similar groups for the gillnet and troll fisheries), and Kodiak herring fishery preseason stakeholder meetings.

Sport Fishing Issues:

• Kodiak:

- The rural town of Kodiak and six villages are concerned with the development of a limited entry program for fresh and saltwater guides. Some residents support a limited entry system, while others do not. Some community members are concerned that a limited entry system will concentrate wealth and reduce the public's ability to receive charter services, which will ultimately hurt the local economy.
- Sport anglers, commercial and subsistence fishermen are concerned about the Litnik sockeye return, which has crashed. These fisheries have been closed for the majority of the past 4 seasons.
- Developing an enhancement project for king salmon along the Kodiak road system is an issue with Kodiak anglers, as well as anglers in Port Lions and Old Harbor, who would also like to see enhancement efforts in their communities.

• Anchorage/North Gulf Coast/Prince William Sound:

- In these areas, many people are concerned about the impact of urban users on rural natural resources. For example, in Prince William Sound, sport anglers with boats that can go farther from port to find prime halibut fishing areas are causing consternation with some rural users (especially in areas like Chenega). They see recreational anglers in greater numbers or in new areas and the impact their presence has on the rural fishing experience. Likewise, in Cordova, the new fast ferry makes it convenient for anglers to get to a once semi-inaccessible area and the growth of those fisheries is likely to increase.
- In Prince William Sound, some residents are concerned that the federal subsistence halibut regulations will negatively impact their ability to sport fish halibut. This same issue regarding higher federal limits and means and methods for salmon is an issue on the Copper River Delta.

• Kenai Peninsula:

- A number of rural users feel there are undue restrictions on their access to fish. In other words if they were the primary users they would be able to consumptively use the resource (for example, with fall spawning closures for Dolly Varden in Upper Kenai)

tributaries or tight limits on upper Kenai Rainbow Trout).

- These same users object to the level of commercial harvest of northern bound sockeye and coho salmon in the central district.

- **Bristol Bay:**

- Resource development (mining and offshore oil and gas development) and its impacts on fish and wildlife populations and on subsistence, recreational, and commercial fisheries are seen by many in the region as a threat. This is especially true in regards to the possible development of the Pebble Mine and its potential impacts on the fish and wildlife resources of the Nushagak and Iliamna drainages.
- Some rural residents have also expressed concern about the possible future implementation of limited entry on guided sport fisheries in the area and its impacts on opportunity and the local economy.
- The Kvichak drainage sockeye salmon is currently a Stock of Management Concern and recent low returns have impacted all user groups. Additionally, reductions of daily sport bag limits, based on escapements and in accordance with the Kvichak In-river Sockeye Salmon Management Plan have raised issues as to whether or not it will be necessary to reduce sport bag limits for conservation.

- **Interior:**

- There is a perception among some rural residents that sport fisheries (or personal use and urban subsistence users) compete with rural subsistence users (and rural sport anglers) for fishing and harvest opportunities. This is usually the result of increasing use of an area by non-local (whether urban residents, non-residents or guided anglers) and/or a decrease in subsistence fishing opportunity due to declining abundance of target species.
- Another area of concern is maintaining access to sport fisheries in rural areas and addressing some confusion by non-rural anglers as to which lands are public and which are private (Native corporation and private) when trying to participate in sport fisheries.

Predator Management:

- Due to tradition, preference, availability, as well as the high cost of store-bought foods, rural Alaskans depend heavily on harvesting wild game. As such they are pragmatic about wildlife management and generally support predator management programs to increase the size of moose and caribou herds and to decrease competition between people and predators.
- Many rural residents would like to see expanded efforts by the State to reduce predator densities in their area. However, it is less widely recognized that the high cost and time necessary for collecting scientific data needed to defend such programs affects our ability to plan and implement predator control in new areas.
- Also, since predator control is not allowed on Fish & Wildlife Service or Park Service lands, the state cannot effectively reduce predation in regions of the state with large proportions of federal conservation unit lands.

Endangered Species Act:

- **Polar Bear.** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) proposed listing the polar bear as threatened throughout its entire range, solicited public comment, and expects to make a final decision by the end of this year. If it is listed, the Service will consider designating critical habitat along the north and west coastline of Alaska which could affect ongoing and proposed activities, such as shipping, oil and gas leasing, land and offshore developments. North

Slope residents are very concerned about increasing erosion, increasing late-summer ice free areas, and other effects of Arctic climate change, but the State does not believe listing the polar bear or designating critical habitat will be helpful and may actually be detrimental to conservation of polar bear.

- **Cook Inlet Beluga.** The National Marine Fisheries Service published a proposed rule to list Cook Inlet Beluga as Endangered with Extinction. If it is listed and critical habitat is designated in Cook Inlet, activities throughout the watershed of the entire Cook Inlet as well as in the marine areas could be subject to ESA permit stipulations or restrictions, such as recreational, personal use, and commercial fishing; waste water treatment of the Kenai Borough, City of Anchorage, Mat-Su Borough, and other communities; oil and gas leasing; proposed coal and other mining; the proposed Knik Bridge; fast ferry; small boat traffic, shipping, and other transportation activities both in the water and in the air. Communities throughout Cook Inlet could suffer economic impacts. The State is concerned that this listing is being proposed and the conservation plan has never been funded to provide population and habitat information.
 - The National Marine Fisheries Service has scheduled Beluga Whale hearings for Homer on July 19th and for Anchorage on July 20th. The State will provide a witness.
- **Yellow-Billed Loon.** USFWS announced it intends to do a 90-day status review of the Yellow-Billed Loon population in northern and western Alaska based on possible impacts due to disturbance and loss of habitat in the coastal and low tundra areas. This could affect village activities, including fishing and hunting, development, motorized access, and other activities throughout the area if critical habitat is designated. The state recently participated in a multi-party effort to develop a conservation plan for this species, hoping that the plan would deal with loon conservation issues and obviate the need to consider a listing process.

Avian Influenza:

- In many rural areas, waterfowl and other birds taken in the spring and summer subsistence hunts form an important source of fresh meat. Although the threat to human health should wild birds arrive carrying a highly pathogenic form of avian influenza is very low, the fact that there is ANY risk of human infection has caused great concern.
- ADF&G has partnered with other state agencies through the Multi-Agency Coordination Group established by governor's proclamation to bring solid information to communities around the state. The agencies have emphasized information on how citizens can protect themselves against exposure to HPAI virus, as well as the need to prepare for community emergencies such as a flu pandemic.
- Also, ADF&G has cooperated with federal agencies in an early detection program designed to find the HPAI virus if it occurs in wild birds migrating to Alaska. State community outreach efforts and wild bird sampling are continuing this summer.

Fuel Prices:

- Rural hunters, fishers, and trappers are being affected by rising fuel prices, which affects their ability to harvest wild resources for personal consumption, sharing within the community, and (in the case of fur) income. To the extent that this reduces trapping effort and participation, wildlife management efforts to change predation levels could be affected, which could in turn result in reduced availability of wild meat.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 10:04 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Tony Hayward call (BP)

Governor, as you requested, I have scheduled the BP--Tony Hayward call for tomorrow, Wednesday, June 20, at 8:00am AK time (5pm UK time). Because it's London it was difficult to find an agreeable time, will it be possible to make this call from your home? 011-44-207-Privilege. This information is also on the schedule for tomorrow. Kari.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 10:06 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Sportsdome press release

Governor and Mike: here is the language from Karl Claussen about the press event this afternoon. Kari.

SportsDome Withdraws \$1.5m State Grant Request

Anchorage, Alaska: June 19, 2007 — Leaders of the Anchorage SportsDome, a large non-profit sports facility that is slated to receive a \$1.5m State grant, have notified Governor Sarah Palin that they are withdrawing their grant request due to concerns that it promotes misunderstandings about the SportsDome's mission. Thanks to the financial support of ChangePoint church, private individuals, businesses and community sports organizations, the SportsDome has raised over 95% of its \$17 million funding from private sources. The \$1.5 million State grant was intended to help cover weather-related construction cost overruns. The SportsDome intends to replace the grant monies through additional private fundraising.

Leaders of many community organizations supported the SportsDome's State grant application, including the University of Alaska Anchorage, the Anchorage School District, the Municipality of Anchorage, and numerous soccer, baseball, softball and track-and-field organizations such as American Legion Baseball, Cook Inlet Soccer Club and Alaska RUSH Soccer. These supporters believe that a \$1.5 million investment of State money makes good sense for a number of reasons:

- Many Alaskans will benefit from the SportsDome. Literally tens of thousands of soccer players, runners, baseball and softball players, football players, walkers, etc. will use the facility for personal health maintenance and training for competition.
- Anchorage's athletes will no longer be disadvantaged by weather-shortened seasons. Field-based athletics across Alaska will benefit from a facility capable of hosting state-wide competitions.
- According to ASD Superintendent Carol Comeau the year-round sports opportunities made possible by the SportsDome are, "a

deterrent to the increasing gang and youth violence issues in our community."

- Private investors and contributors desiring to benefit our community have paid over 95% of the SportsDome's development costs. It is remarkable that our community can enjoy such a facility with so little public funding.
- For the Anchorage School District, the SportsDome provides space and opportunity equivalent to eight new high-school gymnasiums—a value to the State of over \$60 million.
- The state of Alaska takes no financial risk with the SportsDome; ChangePoint church is responsible for any operational losses.

Leaders of the SportsDome project had intended this grant to strengthen this unique partnership between public and private non-profit sectors, allowing this facility to operate with minimal user fees and to benefit as many Alaskans as possible. Regrettably, misinformation generated by that effort has created such public confusion that to receive the grant at this point would compromise the SportsDome's primary mission. In particular, the SportsDome and ChangePoint boards want Alaskans to know that this facility is a gift to the community, not one built at its expense.

ABOUT ANCHORAGE SPORTSPLEX AND CHANGEPOINT:

ChangePoint is a non-denominational church in Anchorage with an average weekend attendance of 4,000 people. A central element of ChangePoint's mission is to demonstrate God's love for people by caring for practical needs in the community. ChangePoint's leadership is excited about the contribution the SportsDome will make to the health and well-being of Alaskans.

Anchorage Sportsplex, Inc. is an Alaskan 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to provide year-round track-and-field sports facilities for Alaskan athletes. It is currently constructing the Anchorage SportsDome, a four-acre indoor sports facility on the campus of ChangePoint church. The Anchorage Sportsplex's Board of Directors, appointed by ChangePoint's corporate board, includes members of the public who have no affiliation with the church.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 10:30 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Bud Knox

Do you know him? He says you agreed to a lunch date sometime in June.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 10:09 AM

To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Bitney; John W (GOV)

Subject: Mayor Begich call

Mayor Begich called me this morning (Tues, June 19) wanting very much to discuss capital budget with the Governor. His cell is: Privilege

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From: Talis Colberg [Talis.Colberg@law.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 9:33 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Spencer; Kari L (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Reminder of the of the anticipated absence of me

Dear Governor Palin,

This is to reaffirm my vacation next week. June 23 through July

1. I will be joining my family in Europe.

I talked to Kari about the cabinet meeting next week. She was not sure it would still occur given that we just had one last Friday. However, she indicated that it might be okay for me to miss a meeting. I do have the 1-800 number however, I am not certain that I will be in a time or place where I could make use of it.

In regard to other civil matters (not the cabinet meeting) Mr. Tillery is the Civil Deputy who can field questions or refer people to the right place for answers on matters that might arise in my absence. His number is Privileged. In regard to criminal matters, Mr. Svobodny is the Criminal Deputy and his number is Privileged.

In regard to Mat Maid, should there be questions next week, Mr. Barnhill (Privileged) or Ms. Otto (Privileged) are available for assistance.

If something comes up on the Kensington Mine, Mr. Cam Leonard is the lead atty. (Privileged).

Thank-you for the opportunity to attend the wonderful lunch and journey to the mine and proposed road route. If that road is built it will become a tourist attraction in itself: waterfalls, mountains, forests, ocean views, wow.

If you have questions before I leave please let me know. I
will be in Anchorage through this Friday.

Thank-you Talis

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 3:22 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: MM replacements

I called the members friday evening. I thanked them for their service, but let them know the administration was taking the board in a new direction in light of the current situation. The only question I was asked was if he needed to attend the tues mtg. I said no.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 18 21:12:45 2007
Subject: MM replacements

I assume Mr Willard is a former BAC member? He was on the news tonight, saying I shocked him when I made an abrupt call to him to dismiss him this weekend. Hmmmmmm. I've never spoken to him - whomever called him - what was his reaction to the explanation I'm sure he was given when explaining the bd was to be replaced?

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From: Spencer, Kari L (GOV) [kari.spencer@alaska.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 2:56 PM

To: meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: DMVA Denali Awards event 6/20

This event has been moved from 10:00am to 1:00pm in the Governor's Conference Room in Anchorage.

Kari

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:34 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Meals

Kari - pls forward to Linda Perez:

Am I supposed to be charging meals while I am away from Juneau? Or does per diem cover my meals - I haven't charged any meals to the state, just a couple of coffees while Outside during these six months in office. Am I doing this right?

What about Todd's meals if he's traveling for First Gentlemen duties? Is the intent for his per diem to cover meals entirely, or was he to have been keeping receipts for reimbursements? What about family?

I'd like to be real clear especially going into July where we've been asked if we can be away from Gov's House during renovations.

Thanks Linda- sorry to bug you about policy I'm still not clear on.

Thanks! SP

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:32 PM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'
Subject: Sched

What's tomorrow's schedule?

And remember sometimes things can't be downloaded on the blkbrry.

Thurs and Fri schedules are needed also.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [kris.perry@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:29 PM
To: Sarah Palin; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: BAC

Still @ mtg. Going well. Kristan is running it extremely well. The members elected her chair and vanderweele vice. They removed the creamery board and appointed themselves. Following BAC, they called a creamery bd mtg. Kristan is chair of the corp too and don is vice. They've motioned to reverse the closure and it is currently under discussion. Van Treeck is here. Ill elaborate further, in person, on dynamics. Great board!

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:05 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: FW: Tomorrow's Agenda

The agenda is literally just the six items and I mentioned to them that it appears as though they would like for you to listen to their concerns and interests rather than address them in any way.'

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From: Sheri Buretta [mailto:SBuretta@chugach-ak.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 9:50 PM
To: Meghan Stapleton; Otte, Vicki
Cc: Sharon Leighow
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's Agenda

Hi Meghan,

Please see the following list of issues our group developed today to discuss with the Governor tomorrow:

- * Education - New Commissioner
- * 8a Issue - Statewide impacts and National opportunities

- * Gasline
- * Energy policy
- * Subsistence
- * 50th Anniversary of Statehood

We realize that she has a very busy schedule and may not be able to get to all of these issues so we will try to talk about continued discussions.

Thank you for assisting with the coordination of our meeting,

Sheri

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From: Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 1:35 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Vic

She's not back yet.

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To: meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Vic

Call colleen

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From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jun 19 13:28:08 2007
Subject: RE: Vic

Waiting for confirmation.

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us
Subject: Vic

Did vic resign

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 1:28 PM

To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: RE: Vic

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Subject: Vic

Did vic resign

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:49 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Sharon W Leighow; Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: RE: Tour today

Yes. SrCare emergency regs.

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To: meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us; Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Tour today

On Sr Care emergency regs?

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To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Meghan N Stapleton; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Sharon W Leighow; Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 18 23:12:31 2007
Subject: RE: Tour today

Tour sounds great. Most press knew you were there as I felt that I had to say why you were away. Press release is a great idea. We have one for emergency regs tomorrow and kohring, too.

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From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>
To: "meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>; "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>
Cc: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; "sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>; "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>
Sent: 6/18/07 8:13 PM
Subject: Tour today

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 1:27 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Meghan N Stapleton
Subject: CHANGEPOINT SPEECH - WHAT DO YOU THINK OF SOMETHING LIKE THIS? I WILL BRING JUST IN CASE YOU LIKE.

Governor Sarah Palin
ChangePoint \$1.5 million withdrawal
June 19, 2007

Thank you for the invitation to be here today, Karl. I appreciate it. And I appreciate your message.

There is no doubt that this project will benefit Alaskans. I am excited to see an investment of this magnitude – a \$17 million investment – that will help not only the adults in this community, but our children.

But I also appreciate the fact that you are withdrawing your \$1.5 million request in the state's capital budget. While you are providing a valuable asset to the state, any time that people can reach into the private sector to raise funds – I applaud it.

Thank you for your consideration on behalf of all

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Alaskans – and thank you for the vision this project possesses

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Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 12:49 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Sharon W Leighow; Meghan N Stapleton

Subject: MEDIA WILL SURROUND AT CHANGEPOINT

Change Point notified the media that you will be there. Begich will be there, too, today.

Briefing books will be in your car which include the ANCSA briefing points, Change Point press release, and Kohring's resignation information.

Since you will be at Change Point, the media will jump on the opportunity to ask you about Vic Kohring's resignation and the BAC dismissal of the Creamery Board (did it this morning).

I will be at Change Point to assist and to make it orderly. I've told them that you have limited time there because you have to be at a 3pm meeting.

Anticipated questions:

BAC – dismissed Creamery Board. The BAC 7 appointed themselves temporarily as the Creamery Board. Did you order this? What have you asked them to do?

I did tell Dave Donaldson this morning (off air) that there will come a point where the Governor will step back and give the chance for the BAC to work. That you are not ordering their moves, but rather have tasked them with finding answers, and providing solutions and alternatives. It's up to the BAC now.

ChangePoint – were you going to veto anyway? Did you feel that appropriation was appropriate?

The dome will be a tremendous asset for the community. As such an asset, it should not be difficult for the private sector to step in and fund the dome for the benefit of Alaskans. There were of course questions regarding this one as to church and state and whether the money was used best. I have not made any final determinations as to a veto, but certainly there were red flags surrounding this one.

Kohring – surprised? How will his replacement happen? What are you looking for?

(From a previous email from you): I will appoint someone with the acknowledgment that I believe it needs to be an even playing field when the seat is open for election next year. My appointment won't be the usual – loyalist who will receive my endorsement in the next election. It is the voters' choice whom they want to represent them and I will responsibly select Vic's replacement with some humbleness. I will respect the power that I hold.

Replacement must happen within 30 days of the resignation. Vic is resigning on July 19th. You will have 30 days from that date – looks like August 18th.

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Subject: Re: ANSCA

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To: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: ANSCA

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>>> <govpalin@alaska.gov> 6/19 7:39 pm >>>

Good ANSCA meeting - dynamic women running those corps! (And some men...). The group asked to wk w/Kris on statehood celebration - I said yes - Kris will call Sherri Buretta on it.

Concern about HR216 that I hadn't heard about - they requested John Katz provide Orrie Williams with more info on the federal legislation dealing with AK lands. If you've got info, could you pass on to Orrie, Mr. Katz? They say the issue may be slipping by our delegation.

I committed to attempt to "resolving to resolve" the subsistence issue - bless his heart Matthew Nicoli takes me at my word when I repeat that of course I want it resolved, but I don't have the silver bullet and won't pretend I have the answers today - but "I'll seek divine wisdom 'cuz that's what it will take" to deal with subsistence. I do want to work on it with him and the other native corp CEOs and look forward to serious discussion that should lead to some unity on the issue. We had great dialogue on our transition team re: pro and con preference bc we engaged Dick Bishop and Kenny Johns as our team leaders - we need that continued until we find solutions.

Kroloff loves our committment to workforce development - we need to work closer with native corps on training programs. They like Click. Thank God. ;)

Always concerned about 8(a), thank you Mr Katz for the update on status that I could share w/them re: our commitment to keeping elements of program. They were thankful for at least that acknowledgement that it's on our radar screen.

They want say in new Educ Commish - I said I'd love their input, so make sure Bd of Educ hears it, as the board forwards candidates' names to me for selection.

And they promised not to ask me about cows today. So I loved them.

On another note,

Kohring resigned today and I was all giddy with the prospect of selecting a wise and independent Valley character to replace him - got the giddiness knocked right out of me when I heard the state GOP leaders have their search for replacement "underway". I'm asking Talis for advice on this - Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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Subject: Fw: BAC Meeting

Wow - we need to really make sure we're communicating clearly with task force members/ potential director/ public members concerned about ag... Does anyone know if we sent a wrong msg that the folks we need plugged in (like Franci) weren't to be part of today's mtg?

Tom- how did the director's position conversation go with new bd members? If I had my way we'd have hired someone yesterday for that empty slot - I'm very anxious to hire as the two-month vacancy is part of the problem - we have an awesome candidate ready to go - when will hiring take place?

-----Original Message-----

From: Franci Havemeister
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jun 19, 2007 8:33 PM
Subject: BAC Meeting

I can not believe that I missed the meeting today! I assumed it was a closed meeting and nothing was mentioned yesterday about anyone else attending- you have no idea how disgusted I am!!!! This was the the climax to everyone's hard work and I was out mowing my lawn!

I am assuming the Director's position will be filled shortly? All this information in the upcoming BAC meetings would be excellent information for the new director to have.

Great job on the board appointments - I think my father-in-law was actually GIDDY!! I have never seen that before!!!!

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To: Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV); Bruce F Anders; gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
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Subject: Re: Gasline Briefing #13

This is old

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Cc: Tom E Irwin; Martha K Rutherford
Sent: Tue Jun 19 22:13:51 2007
Subject: RE: Gasline Briefing #13

JUST LOOKING FOR BACKGROUND ON THIS - ARE WE SENDING ONE OUT OR IS THIS OLD?

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From: "Bruce F Anders" <bruce_anders@dnr.state.ak.us>
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Cc: "Tom E Irwin" <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>; "Martha K Rutherford" <marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>
Sent: 6/19/07 5:44 PM
Subject: Gasline Briefing #13

Joe's Blackberry is not working, so he has not yet weighed in on this. Kurt and Antony have both approved it.

I hope I struck the proper tone: resolve in the face of desperate threats by the producers to kill AGIA's must-haves (and not only not apply, but not nominate gas to an AGIA licensee in the O/S), tempered by the assurance that we just doing what is reasonable and fair. Both full and condensed versions are attached.

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To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
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Subject: Re: Teamsters

Whens kristans next mtg.

And who has her email?

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Date: Tue, 19 Jun 2007 13:06:41

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Teamsters

Ken Coleman is at the BAC and creamery Corp meeting out here. He has time tomorrow afternoon and some on Thursday if we still want to get a face-to-face meeting on long term efforts. They may have resources to be brought to bear, particularly for the task force effort. By the way, Kristan has announced the task force as something the governor is putting together.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [kris.perry@alaska.gov]
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Subject: RE: Sherri

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Pls call

Buretta re: native corps want to help with statehood celebration

Thanks!

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 2:46 PM
To: lakerlax@nycap.rr.com
Subject: RE: Oil&Gas

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 8:26 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Oil&Gas

Web mail from: Steve Zahurak
address: 1070 Day Road Schenectady NY 12303
518 859 9561

MESSAGE:

Recently, I drove my mother to her home in Windber, Pa. I flew out of Johnstown, Pa on Saturday, June 16, 2007. A gentleman flying out of Johnstown lives in Windber, Pa. He was going to Fairbanks to visit his sons.

One of the sons is part of your administration and is knowledgeable about the petroleum industry in Alaska.

I am interested in contacting him, but I did not get the father's name.

If you can be of assistance to me, I would be very thankful.

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